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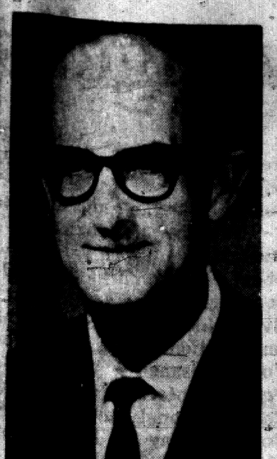
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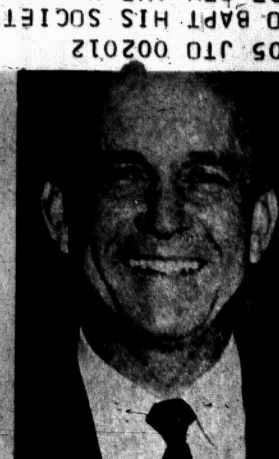
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Dr. L. Gordon Sansing
Speaker



Dr. W. A. Criswell
Speaker



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Over 1000 Expected For State Evangelism Conference In Hattiesburg Next Week

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PROGRAM

Main Street Baptist Church, Hattiesburg—Feb. 1-3
Conference Theme: "Evangelizing in Openness and Freedom"
Organist: Josephine Bryan, Jackson; Ass't Organist: Paul Lee, Hattiesburg
Pianist: Edwin Sudduth, Indianola; Ass't Organist: Kenny Butler, Hattiesburg
Monday Evening: "Living the Spirit of Christ in Love"
6:45 Musical Meditation — Miss. Baptist Instrumental Ensemble; Aubrey Gaskins, Tupelo, Director
7:00 Vocal Meditation — Dawn Gandy, Hattiesburg
Congregational Singing — Dan C. Hall, Jackson
Vocal Message — Dawn Gandy
7:15 Announcements and Program Theme — Roy Collum, Jackson
7:30 Instrumental Message — Instrumental Ensemble
7:35 Evangelistic Bible Study — Morris Ashcraft, Kansas City
8:30 Congregational Singing — Dan C. Hall
Choral Message — Church Choir, Main Street Church, Hattiesburg
Bob Jones, Director
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SBC Stewardship Commission

'72-75 Church Giving Goals Urged

Religious Education Meeting Is Set For Gulf Coast Feb. 18-20

Dr. Kenneth L. Chafin, director of the Division of Evangelism of the Southern Baptist Home Mission Board of Atlanta, Georgia will be the key speaker for the Mississippi Baptist Religious Education Association Convention to be held at the Buena Vista Hotel in Biloxi, Feb. 18-20, according to Mose Dargatzis, of Biloxi, president of the association.

The convention, which begins with registration at 1:00 p.m. Thursday,

Feb. 18 and adjourns at noon on Saturday, Feb. 20, has as its theme "Personal Spiritual Renewal." Dr. Chafin will speak four times on Friday and Saturday to this theme.

Dr. Kelya Moore, professor of religious education at New Orleans Baptist Seminary, and a native of Carthage, Miss., will speak twice on Friday, Feb. 19.

His subjects will be "A Philosophy of Religious Education" and "Improving Staff Relations."

A highlight of the convention will be the banquet on Friday night. This is to be held at the First Baptist Church of Gulfport with Dr. Chafin as the speaker.

Also at the banquet Mr. Darrell Murphree of Jackson's First Baptist

NASHVILLE (BP)—The Stewardship Commission of the Southern Baptist Convention, in annual session here, adopted more than a dozen recommendations, paid tribute to its retiring executive director-treasurer, and adopted specific goals urging an increase in church contributions throughout the SBC.

The commission members adopted a recommendation praising the contributions of Merrill D. Moore, who retires Jan. 31 as executive director-treasurer, and held a special banquet in Moore's honor.

In major business actions, the commission adopted two specific recommendations outlining stewardship goals for the period, 1972-75, and urging Southern Baptist churches to follow a plan for increasing support of world missions through the Cooperative Program.

The plan calls for churches which now give less than 20 per cent of their total church budget through the Cooperative Program to increase the percentage to the Cooperative Program by two per cent each year until reaching 20 per cent; for churches now giving 20 per cent but under 30 per cent to advance one per cent annually up to 30 per cent; and for churches now giving 30 per cent to

increase 1/2 per cent each year "until the objective set by the church is reached."

Stewardship goals approved by the commission for the years 1972-75 included the following:

—An annual increase of 100,000 tithers in the SBC (currently there are about 1.4 million tithers in the SBC);

—An annual increase of 1,000 churches conducting an intensive stewardship program; and

—An annual increase of 1,000 churches which conduct such emphases;

—\$1 billion given annually through the churches by 1975 (compared to the current \$850 million given to SBC churches);

—\$100 million given annually through the Cooperative Program by 1975 (compared to \$80 million last year);

Other goals called for an annual increase of 10 per cent in the number of churches which are members.

Davis C. Woolley, SBC Leader, Dies

NASHVILLE (BP) — Davis C. Woolley, executive secretary of the Southern Baptist Convention's Historical Commission

here, died Jan. 15 of cancer of the bone marrow. He was 62.

Woolley had been hospitalized for the past four months. Up until the first of the year, he continued to work in the hospital

ment at his bedside.

No public funeral services were held, at Woolley's request, but rather a memorial service was scheduled on Sunday afternoon, Jan. 17, at Glendale Baptist Church where he was a member.

Leading the service were Richard Smith, pastor of the church, and Albert McClellan, program planning secretary of the Southern Baptist Ex-

ecutive Committee and close personal friend.

Planned by Mr. and Mrs. Woolley during December, the service carried out the theme of victory through faith and was conducted as a worship service. McClellan's message during the service emphasized the characteristics of the authentic Christian and referred at one point in his message to Woolley as "the man whose authentic Christian life we celebrate here to-

In a statement to Baptist Press, McClellan described Woolley as "representative of the sinew of Southern Baptist integrity," and added that "he loved God with all his heart and mind and soul, and he loved his neighbor as himself."

"Student worker, pastor, educator, historian, denominational leader—his talents and his dedication stand out as bright burning stars in the galaxy of Southern Baptist leadership," McClellan said.

Porter W. Routh, executive secretary of the Southern Baptist Convention Executive Committee, pointed out that Woolley's death marked the first time in more than a decade that the executive of a Southern Baptist agency had died while in office.

Routh praised Woolley's contribution to the total denomination, especially through the SBC's Inter-Agency Council of which he was chairman.

"Davis Woolley was not only an able Baptist historian, he was a successful pastor, teacher, administrator, and a devoted father," Routh said. "Above all, Davis Woolley was a Christian man."

Patterson noted as specific contributions Woolley's publishing project, including a revision of the book, *Champions of Religious Freedom*; editing *Baptist Advance*, which marked the 150th anniversary of organized Baptist work in North America; writing the book, *Guide for Writing the History of a Church*; plus editing the journal, *History and Heritage* published beginning in 1965 by the commis-

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Mississippi Native

SBC Agency Honors Merrill Moore Upon Retirement

NASHVILLE (BP) — On the eve of his retirement as executive director-treasurer, the Stewardship Commission of the Southern Baptist Convention paid tribute to Merrill D. Moore as "Mr. Stewardship" in the nation's largest Protestant denomination.

Moore, who has served as chief executive for the commission since it was organized in 1961, was honored at a banquet sponsored by the commission, which adopted a resolution the following day expressing appreciation for Moore's service.

The resolution praised Moore for rendering "superior leadership in stewardship promotion for over 23 years" in the SBC.

Before becoming executive director-treasurer of the commission in 1961, Moore was director of stewardship promotion for the Southern Baptist Executive Committee for 13 years.

The resolution also cited Moore's ministry as a pastor, state denominational worker, college president, and Southern Baptist denominational leader for almost 47 years.

During the retirement testimonial

dinner sponsored by the commission, more than a score of co-workers and friends stood to give brief testimonies of Moore's influence in their own lives and work.

"Repeatedly, the testimonies praised Moore's role in bringing the Stewardship Commission into being as an agency of the SBC, his role in producing materials for the Forward Program of Church Finance used by SBC churches in their stewardship efforts, and the influence of his book, *Found Faith*. Several called him 'Mr. Stewardship' in the SBC."

Robert Lee, executive secretary of the Louisiana Baptist Convention, in a special tribute to Moore at the close of the testimonial period, called Moore "one of the hardest working and prolific workers I've ever known."

During the banquet, a musical skit written by Frank Hart Smith of the SBC Sunday School Board's church

recreation department was presented, describing the personality of Moore and emphasizing his hobby as a sportman and bird watcher. It was entitled, "A Million More in '54."

At the close of the banquet, the commission presented to Moore a complete outfit of clothing—suit, sport coat, all weather coat, hat, shoes, shirt and tie. To Mrs. Moore, the commission presented a silver pitcher.

"We love this man," said William Purdue, secretary of the commission and pastor of First Baptist Church, Kingsport, Tenn., who made the presentation. "There just isn't enough money in the world to buy you all the gifts we'd like," he told Moore.

Joe L. Ingram, chairman of the commission and executive secretary-elect of the Baptist General Convention of Oklahoma, presided at the testimonial dinner, held at Immanuel

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MISSISSIPPI MUSICIANS TO SING AT FORT WORTH ABE LINCOLN AWARDS

Four Mississippi Baptist ministers of music, members of the 100-voice Centurymen choir, composed of singers from throughout the Southern Baptist Convention, are scheduled to sing with the group at the Abe Lincoln awards, to be sponsored by the Radio and Television Commission of the SBC on Feb. 12.

The awards will be presented to the broadcasters honored by the SBC agency in the new 3,000-seat Tarrant County Convention Center Theater in Fort Worth, Texas, and the program will also include folk balladeer Burl Ives, the Texas Boys Choir and the North Texas Lab Band. All performers are donating their talent.

The state men are Tanner Riley, First, Clinton, Dennis Bucher, Calvary, Charles Russell, Robinson Street, and Charles Muller, Woodland Hills, all of Jackson.

Many outstanding broadcast leaders from the nation will be present, according to Dr. Paul M. Stevens, Commission director.

Groundbreaking Is Held For Building At WMU'S Camp Garaywa



Groundbreaking was held at Camp Garaywa January 20 for the new dining room-kitchen building, to be completed by June 1. The five persons in center foreground are, from left: Richard Nickels, of Nickels and Wells, contractors; Mrs. W. E. Hannah, Clinton, chairman of the building committee;

Mrs. Vernon May, Louisville, State WMU president, with shovel in hand; Dr. Edwina Robinson, executive secretary, and Charles Dean, of Dean and Pursell, architects. The groundbreaking was held shortly after a meeting of the Building Committee and the Executive Board.

Ground-breaking was held Jan. 20 at Camp Garaywa near Clinton for the proposed new dining room-kitchen building, according to Mrs. Vernon May, Louisville, president of the State Baptist Woman's Missionary Union, owners of the camp.

Two buildings, adjoining each other and housing the dining room, kitchen and activities area, were destroyed by fire on Sept. 29, 1970.

The new building, scheduled to be completed by June 1, will be larger than the two destroyed adjoining buildings, according to Mrs. W. E. Hannah, of Clinton, chairman of the building committee of the Executive Board of the WMU.

The new building will provide for an office and housing for the camp manager, the dietitian and the housekeeper, as well as 3 classrooms.

The dining room in the new building will also be slightly larger than

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Asbury United To Pray P.O.W.'s Out

WILMORE, Ky. (EP) — With the objective of securing the release of all American servicemen imprisoned by Vietnamese, students of Asbury Theological Seminary here have launched the "Prisoners Prayer Partner Program."

Under the director of Dr. Thomas A. Carruth, the department is issuing Prayer Partner cards to citizens throughout the country encouraging prayer and publicity as instruments to soften the Communists' attitude on

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Evangelism Conference Program: Feb. 1-3

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8:35 Message — L. Gordon Basing, Grenada
9:10 Adjourn
Postlude — Instrumental Ensemble
Tuesday Morning: "Open to the Needs of Humanity"
9:20 Musical Meditation — Josephine Bryan and Edwin Sudduth
9:30 Vocal Meditation — James Hayes, Hattiesburg
Congregational Singing — Leon Bedsole, Biloxi
9:45 Evangelistic Bible Study — Morris Ashcraft
10:30 Congregational Singing — Leon Bedsole
Vocal Message — R. L. & Beth Sigrest, Yano City
10:40 People Centered Evangelism — John Havlik, Atlanta
11:10 Congregational Singing — Bedsole
Vocal Message — R. L. & Beth Sigrest
11:20 Message — W. A. Criswell
12:00 Adjourn
Tuesday Afternoon: "Openness to New Opportunities in Evangelism"
1:20 Musical Meditation — Josephine Bryan & Edwin Sudduth David Larrimore, Tupelo, Trumpet
1:30 Vocal Meditation — Dawn Gandy
Congregational Singing — Edwin McNeely, Newton
1:45 Evangelistic Bible Study — Morris Ashcraft
2:30 Congregational Singing — Edwin McNeely
2:35 Message — John Havlik
3:05 Congregational Singing — Edwin McNeely
Vocal Message (Duet) — Thelma Grissett and Cecil Harper, Wiggins

3:15 Message — David Grant, Jackson

3:30 Adjourn

Tuesday Evening: "Openness to the Urgency of Evangelism"

6:45 Instrumental Meditation — Hattiesburg Choir, Main Street, Hattiesburg
Bob Jones, Director
7:00 Congregational Singing — Derrell Billingsley, Koochesburg
Vocal Message — Miss Josephine D'Arce, William Carey College
7:15 Evangelistic Bible Study — Morris Ashcraft
8:00 Congregational Singing — Derrell Billingsley
Choral Message — Miss. Singing Churchmen, Dan C. Hall, Director
8:25 Message — W. A. Criswell
9:10 Adjourn

Wednesday Morning: "Fraying the Lord of the Harvest"

8:35 Instrumental Meditation — Josephine Bryan and Edwin Sudduth
8:45 Congregational Singing — J. D. Batson, Poplarville
Vocal Message — Dan C. Hall
9:00 Evangelistic Bible Study — Morris Ashcraft
9:45 Congregational Singing — J. D. Batson
9:50 The Mystery of Prayer — John Havlik
10:30 Congregational Singing — J. D. Batson
Vocal Message — Clint & Jarvis Rose Nichols
10:35 Message — W. A. Criswell
11:15 Vocal Message — Clint & Jarvis Rose Nichols
11:30 Adjourn

New Mexico Revises Student Work Organization

ALBUQUERQUE, N. M. (BP) — In a compromise move, the State Mission Board of the Baptist Convention of New Mexico voted to reorganize its student work program and continue full-time student directors at three of the state's university campuses.

The action reverses one phase of a total convention reorganization proposed at the state convention last November in Alamogordo, N. M. Under that plan, full-time paid directors at five state colleges and universities would be discontinued in favor of volunteer student workers at each campus.

After long deliberation, the convention's State Mission Board voted in its January session to continue to Baptist student work directors at Eastern New Mexico University, Portales; University of New Mexico, Albuquerque; and New Mexico State University, Las Cruces.

As part of the approved reorganization, part-time assistants would also be retained or created at each of these three centers, and at the West-

tern New Mexico College, Silver City, and New Mexico Highlands University, Las Vegas, N. M.

According to the board action, the Las Vegas associate would work under the supervision of the Albuquerque director, and the Silver City associate would be responsible to the Las Cruces director.

The entire student work program would be under the administration of the Education Division of the state convention, and the shift of personnel and program alignment would be made on or before Oct. 1.

No personnel assignments for the student work reorganization, or for any of the other reorganized convention staff assignments were adopted by the State Mission Board during its January session.

Under the reorganization approved last November, several personnel cuts were authorized. There were five divisions created under an executive director and business manager, including a Division of Special Ministries (one executive); a Division of Communication Ministries (one exe-

cutive); a Division of Education Ministries (two executives); a Division of Mission Ministries (three executive) and a Division of Foundation and Church Loan Ministries (one executive).

Thus, the executive staff would be reduced from 15 staff members to a total of 10 executives. The 15 does not include five campus student work directors.

Strong debate at the convention came over the student work reorganization proposal, which would have eliminated the five paid directors and put student work under the Division of Education Ministries which would have two executives to promote student work, Sunday School, Training Union, and music.

The State Mission Board, which was asked by the convention to come up with a final plan, first defeated a mo-

tion to continue the student work program with its current plan and staff, but then indicated that it did not favor the original recommendation of part-time directors at all five campuses.

A report in the Baptist New Mexico, weekly state Baptist paper published by the convention, indicated that the final action was a shift toward middle ground from both of the opposite viewpoints.

The board, on authorization of the convention, also adopted a budget of \$610,000 for 1971, which includes \$130,977 (or 21 per cent) for worldwide mission causes through the SBC Cooperative Program, \$125,000 in "uncommitted" items for joint SBC-state promotion efforts, and the remaining \$354,023 for state causes.

The 1971 budget is a decrease of \$16,116 from the 1970 budget of \$626,116, although the decrease is actually greater since the 1970 budget included \$47,500 in debt retirement not reflected in the 1970 budget.

Davis C. Woolley — — —

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tion. He also led in sponsoring "Great Moments in Baptist History," composed of a number of paintings depicting Baptist history, an done by artist Erwin Hearn Jr., of Dallas.

Patterson said the administrative committee of the Historical Commission would be meeting within a week to discuss the procedure for selecting a successor to Woolley. The full commission is scheduled to meet next on April 15-19.

A native of Alabama and the son of an Alabama Baptist preacher, the late David Zachary Woolley, he was Training Union secretary for the Alabama Baptist Convention.

Woolley was also student secretary for the First Baptist Church of Auburn, Ala., "coordinating that church's work with students at Auburn University."

He was a graduate of Drachman Business College, Montgomery, and Howard College, Birmingham. He earned the master and doctor of theology degrees from Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville.

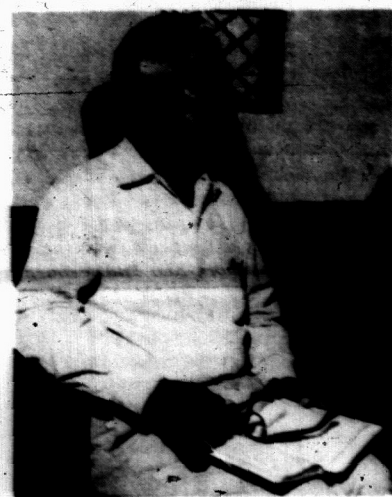
Survivors include his widow, the former Kate Wilkins of North Carolina, five children, two brothers and three sisters.

The family requested that in lieu of flowers, contributions be made to the American Cancer Society, the Heart Fund, or to memorial funds established by the SBC Historical Commission and the Glendale Baptist Church here.

MC Ministers' Wives To Meet February 2

The Ministerial Wives Association of Mississippi College will meet February 2 at 7 p.m. with Mrs. Howard Spell at 265 East College St., Clinton. The speaker will be Mrs. Guy Henderson, missionary to Korea, now residing in Jackson. Her subject will be "An Helpmeet for Him in Missionary Activity." The wives of all Mississippi College ministerial students are invited to attend.

In a study by Massachusetts General Hospital a few years ago, 8,000 patients admitted for emergency treatment were interviewed and given the Breathalyzer alcohol test. 22% with injuries due to home accidents showed a presence of alcohol in the blood (while only 9% of those admitted for treatment not involving injuries had been drinking alcohol.) 39% of those who were injured in transportation accidents showed the presence of alcohol. 36% with injuries sustained in fights and assaults had positive readings.



The Bible In Spanish

On a recent Sunday morning in Juarez, Mexico, Gethsemane Baptist Church studied about "confronting

members read from Acts 17. (Men's Bible class member is shown above.) In Spanish. Their quarters, also in Spanish, had been ordered from the Baptist Spanish Publishing House. Located in El Paso, Texas, this missionary institution serves Spanish-speaking people in 46 states, 46 countries and every continent.

Dr. John L. Justgens, whose specialty is treating hardening of the arteries, tells his friends who are artery surgeons that he can do as much for a patient's legs by getting him to quit smoking as the surgeons do by operating. Dr. Justgens closely followed the progress of 150 cigarette smokers suffering from advanced arteriosclerosis of the extremities. Of 71 who stopped smoking, none required amputation. But of the 79 who continued to smoke, ten had to lose a limb. He tells his patients, "It's your cigarettes or your leg." from "Nine Steps to a Longer Life" by Blake Clark, in recent issue of Reader's Digest



Good News For Vets

Fred B. Rhodes, left, Deputy director of Veterans Affairs and Vice-President of the Southern Baptist Convention, and Richard McKay, right, assistant director of the Home Mission Board's Chaplains Commission, received a set of cassette tape recordings from James Z. Nettinga of the American Bible Society. The recordings of Today's English Version of the New Testament, "Good News for Modern Man," were presented to the Veterans Administration as part of the 25th anniversary celebration of the Veterans Administration Chaplaincy Service. They are to be used by veterans with impaired vision.



Valencia, Spain (Panoramic view looking northward; Missionary William T. Ligon, foreground)—(FMB Photo)

In A World Of Cities

What Is The Christian's Mission?

The beautiful city of Valencia—a city now for these many centuries, since 138 B.C. in fact. Today a modern industrial city, crossroads for eastern Spain. The city skyline is a living symbol of concentrated mankind. Behind the stucco and awnings, the brick and glass, lives an entire population with as many different needs as there are individual persons.

The decade of the 70's may well be marked as another era of major urban growth. As we ponder what lies ahead—as we look into a future world network of cities—the question arises: What is the Christian mission in a world of cities? The answer must be given new meaning and new life in every age and every decade. That answer? Almighty God meeting mankind in man's need and hurt through His Son, Jesus Christ. In every doorway, around every street corner, on the bus, in the marketplace, people are waiting to hear the glad message of hope, for the first time.

Dr. Joe Cothen Accepts Pastorate In New Orleans

Dr. Joe H. Cothen, currently a member of the faculty of New Orleans Seminary, has been called as new pastor of Oak Park Church, 4007 General Myer, New Orleans. Dr. Cothen will begin his service with the Oak Park church on Monday, February 1, and will continue his teaching responsibilities at the seminary until the end of April.

A native of Mississippi, he is a graduate of Mississippi College, and has graduate degrees from New Orleans Seminary (B.D. and Th.D.) and from the University of Southern Mississippi (M.A. in Communication Arts).

He has served as pastor in Mississippi, Alabama, and Louisiana. His most recent pastorate prior to going to New Orleans Seminary was with the Alta Woods Church, Jackson.

Dr. and Mrs. Cothen, the former Hazel Moulder, have three children: Jodie, Cynthia, and Nathan.

The Oak Park Church will honor their new pastor with a reception from 2:30-4:00 P.M. on Sunday afternoon, February 7, in the Fellowship Hall of the church.

SCHOOL ENROLLMENTS IN U. S. — For the first time since World War II, enrollment in the nation's elementary schools is decreasing instead of growing.

Petal-Harvey Responds To Challenge

Dr. W. D. Wiggins, executive secretary, Mississippi Baptist Convention Board, has called on Mississippi Baptists to make 1971 a year in which to strive to do better in all phases of church life. Petal-Harvey Church is responding to this challenge in many ways.

While seeking a full-time pastor, the people are going beyond "average." One example in the realm of stewardship indicates this determination.

A goal of \$1450.00 was set for the Lottie Moon Mission Offering. All members and attendees of the church became actively involved, including

Tanner Injured In Small Plane Crash

FORT HOOD, Tex. (BP) — William Tanner, president of Mary Hardin-Baylor College in Belton, Tex., was hospitalized at Darnell Army Hospital here with injuries received when a small commercial airliner ground-looped while landing at Killeen, Tex.

A hospital spokesman said Tanner, one of 13 passengers aboard the Rio Airlines plane, suffered compressed vertebrae in the lower back and would be hospitalized for about two weeks. He is expected to recover satisfactorily.

The pilot of the Beech 99A Turbo-prop apparently misjudged a landing in heavy fog at the small airport at Killeen. The plane bounced and ground-looped.

the small children. Offerings from "pounds of pennies" to large amounts were collected. The total raised was a record for the church — \$1800.00.

The 1970 budget was raised and surpassed for the first time in over six years. Because of this, the budget designation of \$4,673.36, for the Cooperative Program was paid and \$1,643.36 additional was sent in for the Cooperative Program. A similar "extra" was sent above budget to associational causes.

The plans for the 1971 financial effort are even more exciting. Advance in mission contributions is a key point. After careful study, a "bare-bones" local budget was adopted with 10% designated for Cooperative Program. Then, all raised above this will send 33% to the Cooperative Program. Giving so far in January is above budget requirements, so the excitement continues to mount.

In a meeting in San Jose, Costa Rica, 33 young people responded to an invitation by Southern Baptist missionary Ben H. Welmaker to manifest a willingness to follow God's call into Christian service. Ten young men said they will preach the gospel; 10 other individuals made professions of faith in Christ. In later meetings, five young persons said they plan to enter the International Baptist Theological Seminary in Cali, Colombia, next year. Welmaker is seminary president.

The interim pastor writes, "If all this sounds like a church bragging on itself, be certain it is not. It is rather an interim pastor who is most impressed by what the people of God are doing without benefit of a full-time pastor. I can hardly wait to see the progress when God's full-time man is found. May the efforts of this church be an inspiration to all other Baptist churches in Mississippi as we seek to move forward boldly for Jesus Christ in 1971."

TEL AVIV, Israel: "Faces of Vietnam," an exhibit of 15 paintings in red and black by Bob Harper, was the second exhibit by a Christian artist at the Baptist-sponsored Dugith Art Gallery here. In the 13 years of the gallery's operation, many of Israel's artists had exhibited there but none had been a Christian, according to Southern Baptist missionary Chandler Lanier, manager of Dugith (meaning "little fishing boat" in Hebrew). The first exhibit by a Christian artist was that of a Jewish believer, Daniel Lifschitz. His show opened last Dec. 1, followed by Harper's on Dec. 22. Lanier said that Harper's paintings, facial expressions he recorded in Vietnam in 1968, "are sermons the Israeli will listen to, testimonies that Israelis will respond to, evidences of inner faith that will cause strange longings in Israeli hearts." Harper is art editor of The Commission, journal of the Southern Baptist Foreign Mission Board.

1971 Program For Glorieta

June 3-4—Church Training Youth Conference
June 10-16—Church Training Leadership Conference; Church Training Youth Conference; Vocational Guidance Lab (for Adults)
June 17-23—Church Training Leadership Conference; Church Training Youth Conference; Vocational Guidance Lab (for Adults); Workshop for Workers with Mentally Retarded
June 24-30—Teaching and Training Leadership Conference; Workshop for Workers with Mentally Retarded
July 1-7—Evangelistic Outreach Conference; Vocational Guidance Lab (for Adults)
July 8-14—Sunday School Leadership Conference; Vocational Guidance Lab (for Adults)
July 15-21—Music Leadership Conference; Youth Music Workshop (Participation in this workshop by application only. Secure application from: Director, Youth Music Workshop, 127 Ninth Avenue, N., Nashville, Tennessee 37203)
July 22-28—Woman's Missionary Union Conference
July 29-Aug. 4—Bible Conference; Church Administration Conference; Church Library Conference; Church and Denominational statistics and History Conference
Aug. 5-11—Home Missions Conference
Aug. 12-18—Foreign Missions Conference
Aug. 19-25—Student Conference
Aug. 26-Sept. 1—Church Recreation Leadership Conference
Sept. 2-8—Conference for Single Adults
For information concerning rates and reservations, write RESERVATIONS, Glorieta Baptist Assembly, Box 8, Glorieta, New Mexico 87535.

1971 Program For Ridgecrest

June 10-16—Church Recreation Leadership Conference
June 17-23—Foreign Missions Conference
June 24-30—Bible Conference; Youth Bible Conference; Church Administration Conference; Church and Denominational Statistics and History Conference; Church Library Conference
July 1-7—Music Leadership Conference; Youth Music Workshop (Participation in this workshop by application only. Secure application from Director, Youth Music Workshop, 127 Ninth Avenue, N., Nashville, Tenn. 37203)
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crease of 1,000 churches reporting a stewardship chairman or committee, 50 per cent of all SBC churches giving through the Cooperative Program by 1975; \$25 million raised annually with the assistance of the Stewardship Commission for church buildings by 1975; and one million Baptists with a current Christian will by 1975.

Another recommendation adopted by the commission requested its staff to develop "a communication plan directed toward church stewardship and financial leadership that will assure their receiving a continuity of information and materials." The plan developed by the staff will be reported back to the commission for possible implementation.

James V. Lackey, newly elected executive director of the commission, told the commission that the weakest link in the commission's work is the lack of a communications vehicle that reaches local church stewardship and finance chairmen, and that such a plan is badly needed.

Another recommendation approved by the commission asked its staff to study "the possible need for the commission to provide information to Southern Baptists related to pastor and other church and staff employees' salaries and benefits," and to "secure and furnish such information and as-

stance as deemed helpful." Other recommendations approved by the commission urged the SBC Executive Committee to grant the commission's request for a \$175,000 Cooperative Program allocation for 1972, requested its staff to "continue to plan, develop and implement new and innovative programs and services that will result in a significant breakthrough in personal stewardship response," and urged every Southern Baptist church to conduct a budget subscription and stewardship growth emphasis during the fall or winter of 1971-72 using commission plans and materials.

Several bylaws changes were approved by the commission, which reorganized its committee structure to provide for three major subcommittees — the Cooperative Program promotion committee, the stewardship development committee, and the endowment and capital giving service committee.

Under the reorganization, three staff members assigned new responsibilities by the commission will work with specific committees, including Michael L. Speer, director of Cooperative Program promotion; F. Paul Allison, director of stewardship development; and Ben G. Gill, director of endowment and capital giving service. Next meeting of the Stewardship

Commission will be July 13-16, in Oklahoma City. Joe L. Ingram, executive secretary - elect of the Baptist General Convention of Oklahoma, was re-elected by the commission as chairman.

Other officers include Arvalle L. Harris, businessman and real estate dealer in Flat River, Mo., as vice chairman; and William Purdue, pastor, First Baptist Church, Kingsport, Tenn., secretary.

Religious Education ... Asbury ...

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Church will entertain.

Rev. Tom Douglas of the staff of the State Baptist Sunday School Department, the association's chanceler, will preside at the banquet.

Up to 100 Baptist religious education workers and leaders from every section of the state are expected to attend.

Other officers are: Ferrell Blankinship, Hattiesburg, vice - president; Miss Hazel Morris, Jackson, recording secretary, and Miss Judy Lide, Gautier, pianist.

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the subject.

A great outpouring of public sentiment may hasten a prisoner exchange consent by North Vietnam in order to obtain some favorable opinion in the eyes of the world, Dr. Carruth explained.

"I think North Vietnam is defeating itself in world opinion," Dr. Carruth explained, "because the men are helpless. To release them would gain for North Vietnam a measure of good will."

Fred Chapman New SBC Stewardship Consultant

NASHVILLE (BP)—Fred M. Chapman, pastor of Glenwood Baptist Church here for the past five years, has been named consultant in endowment and capital giving for the Southern Baptist Stewardship Commission with offices here, effective Jan. 1.

Chapman, a Nashville native who was pastor of several Texas churches before coming to the Nashville church in 1965, succeeds Ben G. Gill in the consultant position. Gill has been promoted to director of endowment and capital giving service for the SBC Stewardship Commission.

Can You Say The Lord's Prayer?

I cannot say "Our" if I live in a water-tight spiritual compartment. I cannot say "Father" if I do not demonstrate the relationship in daily life. I cannot say "which art in Heaven" if I am so occupied with the earth that I am laying up no treasure there.

I cannot say "hallowed be Thy name" if I, who am called by his name, am not holy.

I cannot say "Thy kingdom come" if I am not doing all in my power to hasten its coming.

I cannot say "Thy will be done" if I am questioning, resentful of, or disobedient to His will for me.

I cannot say "on earth as it is in heaven" if I am not prepared to devote my life here to His service.

I cannot say "Give us this day our daily bread" if I am living on past experience.

I cannot say "forgive us our trespasses as we forgive them that trespass against us," if I harbor a grudge against anyone.

I cannot say "lead us not into temptation" if I deliberately place myself in a position to be tempted.

I cannot say, "deliver us from evil" if I am not prepared to fight it in the spiritual realm with the weapon of prayer.

I cannot say "Thine is the power" if I fear what men may do or what my neighbors may think.

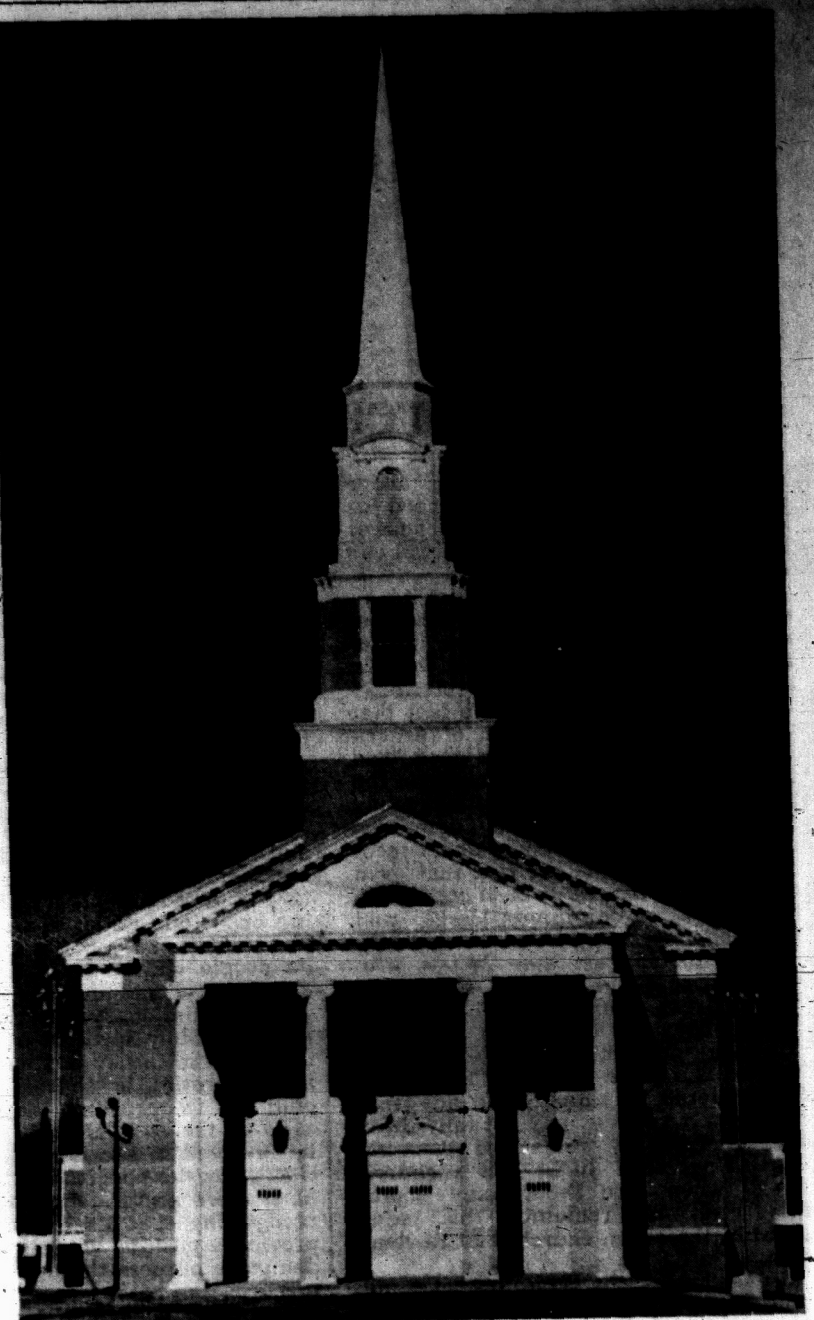
I cannot say "Thine is the glory" if I am seeking glory for myself.

I cannot say "forever and ever" if my horizon is bounded by things of this world.

—The Messenger, FBC, Newton

Thursday, January 28, 1971

BAPTIST NEWS



1st, Water Valley, To Dedicate Auditorium

January 31 has been set apart as "Dedication Day" for the new auditorium at First Church, Water Valley. This is the third and final stage of \$600,000 building program begun by the church ten years ago. The new auditorium and its furnishings have cost over \$300,000 and has been built by Carothers Construction Company of Water Valley with Dean, Purcell and Gardner as architects. The building will seat about 650. In the dedication program, Dr. Douglas Hudgins, executive secretary, Mississippi Baptist Convention Board, will speak at the morning worship hour; Rev. Clarence Cutrell, associate, Stewardship Department, MBCB, will bring an afternoon address; and Rev. Jack H. Hahn, a former pastor, will speak at the evening service.



Pictured here are Miss Evelyn Tully and Edward Hurt who will be featured program and conference leaders during the Leadership Readiness Conference which will be conducted in four areas of the state February 22-25.



Miss Tully is Consultant, Field Service Department, Woman's Missionary Union, Birmingham, Alabama, and will be primarily responsible for leading the conference for Woman's Missionary Union workers. She will be assisted by Dr. Edwin Robinson of the Mississippi WMU Department.

Mr. Hurt is a consultant with the Brotherhood Commission, Memphis, and will, with the assurance of Elmer Howell, be giving leadership to the Brotherhood Conference.

Meetings are scheduled at Tupelo, Greenwood, Jackson, and Hattiesburg.

Mississippi Is Third Place Among 31 States In Brotherhood Study Awards

Mississippi moved into third place among 31 states in Brotherhood study course awards earned during the October-December quarter with 483, the Study Course Department at Nashville, Tenn., reported.

Only South Carolina with 1,407 awards and Georgia with 812 were ahead of Mississippi in Category 66 emphasizing leadership training. Trailing Mississippi were Florida with 328 and Oklahoma with 320.

The state's Brotherhood awards represented more than 10 percent of the total of 4,682 earned in the Southern Baptist Convention. For the same period last year in the convention, 780 Brotherhood credits were issued.

Elmer Howell is Brotherhood director for Mississippi Baptists and Harrell is his associate.

Taught Sunday School 79 Years

Mrs. Lena Stephenson Dies In Jackson At Age 98

Funeral services for Mrs. Lena H. Stephenson, 98, of 511 Marshall St., Jackson, were held at 10 a.m. Monday, Jan. 25, from the Chapel of First Baptist Church.

She had been a very active member of the First Baptist Church and had taught Sunday School consecutively for 79 years. She had been past president of the WMU, both in Louisiana and in Mississippi.

Mrs. Stephenson, a 40-year resident of Jackson, died early Sunday morning, Jan. 24, in a local nursing home, after a lengthy illness.

She had been a very active member of the First Baptist Church and had taught Sunday School consecutively for 79 years. She had been past president of the WMU, both in Louisiana and in Mississippi.

She is survived by two grandsons, Talbot A. Steel of Mobile, Ala., and Robert H. Steel of Jackson, and eight great-grandchildren.

A friend is one who knows all about you, and likes you just the same.

Far more important than the surface issue of financial support is the faith of the nation in the higher education enterprise, the continuing commitment to the crucial role of higher education in society at large.

—Saturday Review

"Church" In Guyana Also Means "Variety"

By Sandra Hilton, Journeyman
To say "church" in Guyana is to say "variety" — the fast tempo of the liveliest youth fellowship, the inspiration of a beautiful sunset, the heart-warming welcome of a yearly family reunion.

Whether I sit in the lovely modern sanctuary of Central Baptist Church in downtown Georgetown or on a hard bench in a "bottom house" (a building on stilts), I am drawn closer to the people gathered under one roof to worship God.

As with the building, so the dress of the people varies. Some women wear the latest fashion while others come wearing faded cotton dresses.

The men may have on suits or shirt-jacks, the official formal wear of Guyana, or shirts and pants threadbare from many years of wearing and washing.

While the mission's congregation is mostly of East Indian descent, Central Baptist Church is mostly African with a sprinkling of Chinese, East Indian, Portuguese, British and North American.

Guyanese can trace their background to Dutch, French and British settlers, African slaves and indentured laborers from China, India and other places who came to this South American country when it was British Guiana.

An evangelistic service on almost any Sunday may begin with chorus after chorus. Singing might start with "Y Is for Victory," and range through choruses emphasizing redemption such as "There's Power in the Blood" and "Give Me That Old Time Religion."

Often these choruses are sung in rapid succession with scarcely time to catch one's breath in between. I have sung until my heart was full of the greatness of God and His wonderful sacrifice and I thought surely the pianist had worn his fingers to the bone.

The welcome to the service, which follows the choruses, lasts for an indefinite length of time depending on what the pastor is led to "preach."

The service as we know it in the United States usually begins about 35 minutes after the arrival of those who were on time. Hymns are sung as lustily as the choruses but in a more dignified manner since they do not have actions as many of the choruses do.

Then comes testimony time, the most spontaneous part of the service. Those called upon to "testify for their Lord" usually have not been asked before, but testifying for Jesus is as natural as saying grace before a meal to a Guyanese Christian. Often these words precede a testimony: "I

am not ashamed to stand and tell you of the wonderful saving grace of Jesus and what He means to me."

Speakers are not trained preachers or even educated laymen but men, women and children, who have witnessed the changing power of Christ in their lives.

Prayers in a Guyanese service often preach a sermon in themselves. There is an honest outpouring of the soul, it's sins and it's needs. The desire to praise God for His bountiful goodness vibrates through the loudest prayer and overwhelms from even the softest whisper. It is not unusual for a prayer to last as long as five minutes, but whatever its length or volume the prayer is never done without feeling.

The sermon is always a joyous, exciting occasion. The love of God preached from the heart of one who is led by Him so overrides lack of education or theological training that the listener cannot help examining himself as a sinner for whom Christ paid the ransom. Even the most dedicated person will find himself caught up in the search for understanding of his God and the need for reconciliation.

For the majority of Guyanese Baptist pastors, theological training has been acquired in the training institute held each spring. Many of these men have other jobs besides being pastor. For example, the full-time pastor of Campbellville Baptist Church in Georgetown also works with the national ministry of education. The son of a pastor, he and his sons, along with a few dedicated Guyanese Christians, meet the needs of this congregation.

At the close of a worship service, the invitation can be especially meaningful. To see two young men move up the center aisle at the first note of the invitation and seek publicly God's forgiveness is a joy that moves the heart.

It's hard for many of these who come, young or old, because they are often from Hindu or Muslim homes in which Christians are not treated

kindly. And yet their witness is so strong and constant that it is not long before fathers, mothers, wives, husbands, sisters and brothers have come to seek the Light of the World in their lives.

At the end of a Guyanese service I realize it's been 1½ to 2½ hours since I entered the church, and yet the minutes have slipped by faster than I could imagine. I have truly spent this time wisely, for I know it was spent in the presence of God.

SBC Agency ...

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Baptist Church where Moore was pastor before assuming SBC-wide stewardship responsibilities.

Previously, Moore had been pastor of Baptist churches in Newport, Tenn., Selma, Ala., New Salem, Ky., Albany, Ind., and Money, Miss. He has also been president of Tennessee College for Women, Murfreesboro, Tenn., and a field worker in the Sunday School department of the Mississippi Baptist Convention.

A native of Mississippi, he is a graduate of Mississippi College, Clinton, Miss., and Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville.

His retirement is effective Jan. 31, at age 65. James V. Lackey, former senior staff assistant for the commission, assumes the position as executive director on Feb. 1.

Groundbreaking ...

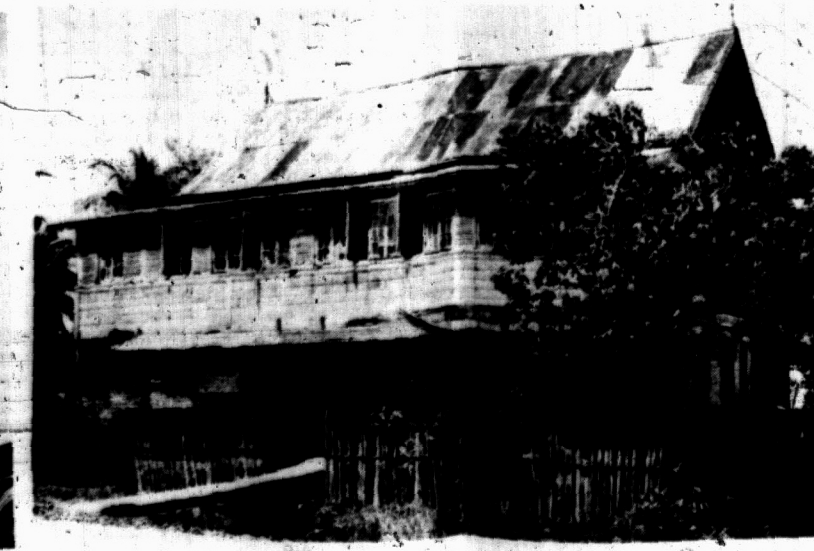
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the one in the old structure. The contract price for the new building is \$254,112.06, which includes equipment.

Other members of the building committee are: Mrs. Carey Cox, Clinton, co-chairman; Mrs. Charles Ray, Greenwood; Mrs. Charles Tyler, Collins; Mrs. Kelly Pyron, Natchez; with Mrs. May; Dr. Edwin Robinson, Jackson, executive secretary, and Miss Marjean Patterson, Clinton, Baptist Women's director, ex-officio members.



CENTRAL BAPTIST CHURCH building is a part of the "variety" which the word "church" represents in Guyana. Central Baptist is like a typical large house in downtown Georgetown with its attic, two floors, basement or bottom house, and outside shutters to protect windows from tropical storms. The first church organized by Southern Baptist missionaries in Guyana, it has been the center of Baptist activities in the country. (Photo by Clark Scanlon)



BOTTOM HOUSES, like this Baptist mission, are used in Guyana when work is begun. Most churches originate in the home of a church member and a bottom house is rented for a full program after the work is established. Since coastal land in Guyana is below sea level, most houses are built on stilts to take advantage of cooling ocean breezes and to protect the house if a dike which prevents water from flooding the inhabited area breaks. (Photo by Warren Johnson)

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EDITORIAL

Can Great Churches Still Be Built?

The question asked in the above headline is clear. There is no need for hedging in answering it. Our answer is direct. "Yes, great churches still can be built!"

We say this despite the fact that many self appointed judges are announcing that the day of the institutional church is past, and that we now are living in the "post-Protestant" era. We say this, despite the fact that the general over-all health of American Christianity is not too good, and that all over the land, especially in the great urban areas of the nation, many churches are dying, and numerous church buildings are being abandoned. We say this despite the fact that even Southern Baptists have been experiencing distressing enrollment losses, and their baptism record has leveled out.

As disturbing as these factors are, we must reaffirm our first statement. "Yes, great churches still can be built!" They are being built all across America and right here in Mississippi. What is a great church? This cannot be answered so simply, and any answer man may give, may not fully meet the standards by which God does his measuring. Men might call a church great when God would say something else. We remember his judgment of the seven churches in Revelation.

Nevertheless, the Bible has set some standards by which we can measure churches, and by those standards we must classify some churches as doing great work. This greatness does not depend upon the size of the congregation, for some large congregations may be doing little, while a very small one may be doing much. Neither does it depend upon the location, for great churches may be found in the heart of a great city, in a growing suburban area, in a small town, or in the open

country. Neither the size of the building, the enormity of the budget, or the extensiveness of the program, necessarily will determine how much the church is doing, although, of course, they will be involved.

How, then, could one decide whether a church is doing great work? We think that it might well be so classified if it is accomplishing the purpose which God has given it, in the community where he has placed it. If it is to be considered a great church it will necessarily be proclaiming the gospel of Jesus Christ, and winning people to salvation. It will be ministering to people, both young and old, in the name of Christ. It will be leading its people in spiritual growth and development. It will be providing opportunities for the use of Christian talent and for Christian service. Its people will be characterized by a spirit of love and unity. It will be evangelistic, missionary, and seeking to be led of the Holy Spirit. It will be leading its people in Christian stewardship and in cooperating or sharing with other churches in spreading the gospel message to the ends of the earth. It will be involved in social responsibility as God gives the opportunity, but will not be a mere social action agency, fully recognizing that its major task is to provide a positive witness of God's redemptive purpose through regenerated men.

Are there such churches today? Of course, there are: We could name many churches right now which are doing effectively the very things which we have mentioned. Some of them are large and some are small. Some are at the very heart of the great cities, while others are in the suburbs, in smaller towns, or in rural areas. These churches are busy; they are active; they are Spirit led and empowered; they are advancing for God.

These churches are an inspiration and strength to all others. Some of those which have faced problems, discouragements and defeats, can look at these other churches, can see how God is using them, and can thank God, take courage, and set about to pray more and work harder, that some of the same things can be accomplished in their own fields.

It is because of this that the Baptist Record welcomes the opportunity to carry reports on what is being accomplished in the churches. Quite often we publish the story of how God is using some particular church, or of how churches are being used of God in some special area of Christian witness. We believe that these stories can be an inspiration and challenge to all others.

Great church work still can be done. Every congregation should be striving to do it.

Guest Editorial

The Christian and the World

Jack Gritz in The Baptist Messenger

In the 20th century as in the first century the pagan world is trying to force Christians to conform to its standards and practices. The methods used today are more subtle than the dungeon and the lion pit, but the end objective is the same.

The need for courageous Christians who will stand firm for Christ is the same now as then.

In any age a true Christian living an obedient life and giving a faithful witness is a constant rebuke to those who accept the blasé standards and practices of the world. The genuine Christian is always a nonconformist! He stands over against the world system as a living example of the teachings and spirit of Christ.

Always there is tension between the world as it is and the world the way it ought to be. The true Christian is the symbol of that tension.

The idea that the church can and should become popular with the world is a mistaken one. The church must always stand with Christ against the world's evil and this does not make for popularity with the world. But it is the only way the world can be won to Christ. People are not going to repent and leave their sins until they feel condemned and convicted in them. The Holy Spirit does this, but he uses loyal Christians who stand firm.

gram, or a means of reaching people? We still are dealing with people, and it may be possible that we have forgotten the Lord's command to "go into the highways and hedges and compel them to come in." John the Baptist was not very dignified in his preaching in the wilderness, but people flocked to hear him from all over the land. We have abandoned "sensationalism," and "unusual methods," and continue to report losses in attendance and baptisms.

We do not in any way discount the absolute necessity of the Holy Spirit's power in our work. Nothing is as important, but who can say that the Holy Spirit may not be able to use "tools" to help us win the hearts of people?

It may be that we need some "bananas" or other "tools" to reach people as they are.

gimmick was, it worked. And the people who came to be counted, were convicted, confessed their sins, and were converted to Christ."

Dr. McCall goes on to discuss the fact that problems are tougher today because society is different, but he does conclude that we have to deal with people in terms of their interest if we are to reach them.

But I have kept thinking of those "bananas," and of "paper chains" and of "pack-a-pew." These were "tools," and perhaps they were a bit silly, but they did reach people. I never saw a church use the "chain" for high attendance Sunday, which did not reach its goal. Neither did I ever see consistently greater crowds than under the "pack-a-pew" plan. Now we have become too sophisticated to use these "tools," so we do not have them. And, as Dr. McCall says, neither do we have the people.

Are we making a mistake and have we become too dignified in our approach? Consider the sales gimmicks used in the commercial world. Sometimes they appear rather ridiculous, but they do get the customers, and that is what the companies are after.

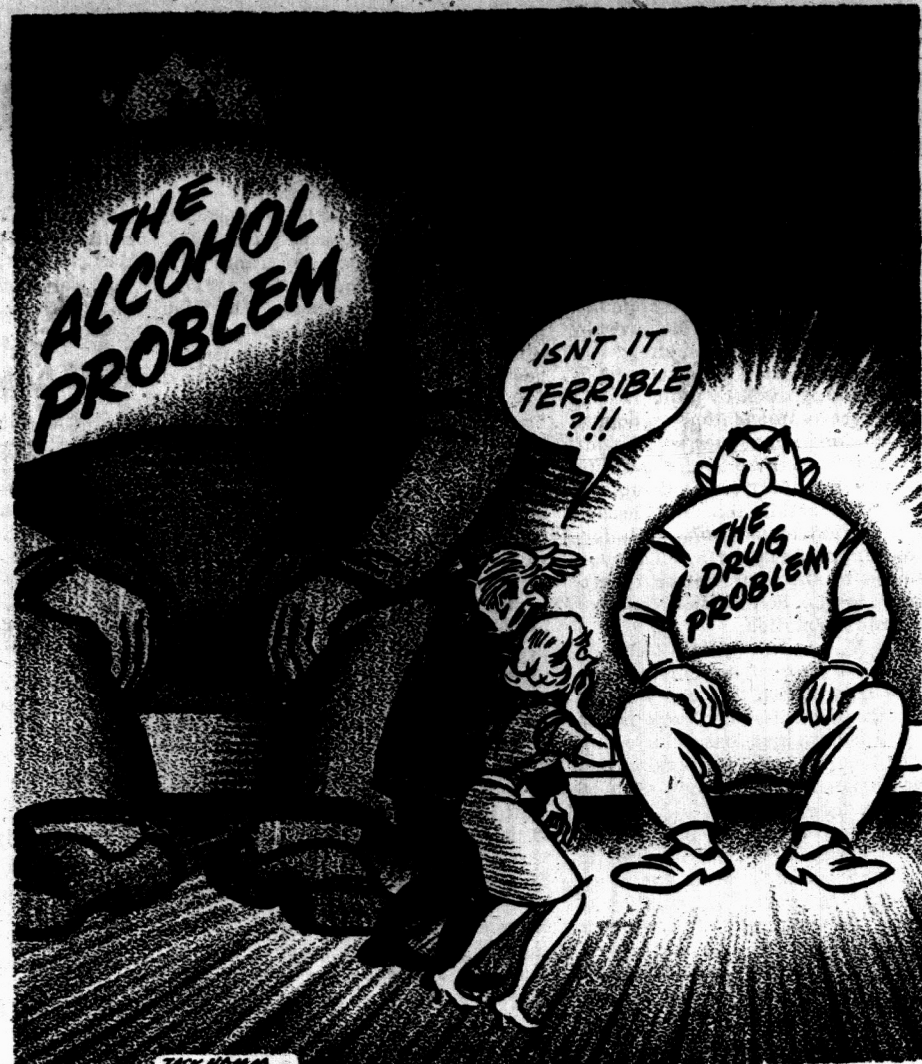
What do we want, dignity in our pro-

"Yes, We Have No Bananas"

The above words were the title of a popular song a few decades ago. The words came to our mind the other day when we read Dr. Duke K. McCall's column in the January issue of Southern Baptist Theological Seminary's publication, The Tie. Dr. McCall is discussing the issue of "success" in our work, and says, in part:

"The past strength of the Southern Baptist Convention grew from the fact that they were led by pragmatists. They did whatever worked. A J. N. Barnett could figure out the predictive ratio between the number of classes (that is, Sunday school teachers) and the size of the Sunday school. He never did explain that the pride of the Sunday school teacher required him to go out into the highways and hedges to compel them to come in so that he might have someone to teach."

"I always thought paper bananas strung around the balcony of the church was a silly form of revival promotion; yet somehow the people who signed their name on a paper banana and got it hung in the sanctuary felt obligated to participate in the revival activities. Now, during a revival, we have neither the bananas nor the people in the balcony. Childish as the



—AND IT IS TERRIBLE!

EDUCATION...what's happening

Dr. John W. Carlton gave his inaugural address as Professor of Preaching at Southeastern Seminary in the fall. Speaking on "Zion Is Not a City of Fools," he defined anti-intellectualism as "a resentment of the life of the mind and those who represent it." He noted that although we have a deep historic piety toward the founding fathers of our country that Jefferson was ridiculed in his day and Jackson was acclaimed for being "unclouded by schools."

The Puritan clergy of New England had respect for the mind and encouraged the founding of Harvard University "to advance learning" among the clergy. So much did "logic" come to be venerated that Harriet Beecher Stowe spoke of it as an idol among the New England ministers. Cotton Mather called twelve hours of study "a scholar's day." Such men were referred to as "big study men," ministers coming from the cloister with their lamps.

But time could not wait for these men; the frontiers were ever moving westward, and their sermons were often beyond the understanding of their hearers. In the rise of revivalism, manuscript preaching was scorned, and an anti-intellectual sentiment developed. With simple messages and sentimental anecdotes, "soul-winning results" were achieved. Such men as Billy Sunday came to lambast the seminaries, and the battle raged between fundamentalists and modernists, with faults and casualties aplenty on both sides. Much of the modern temper is one of indifference to these issues and is almost purely humanitarian. Such scholars as W. D. Davies states that often he has to justify any study of history at all to the contemporary student; yet this study is likened unto "a covenant between fathers and sons."

Dr. Carlton decried the pitting of mind and feeling against each other and recalled our Lord's saying that we should love God with all the mind and with all the heart. He called for "a playful tension" between piety and intellectualism. Such would save us from the rigidity of being too certain too soon in life. "God's grace is always full of surprises." (The Outlook of Southeastern Seminary, November-December, 1970)

On The MORAL SCENE...

Half of Auto-Crash Deaths Preventable—More Americans die in motor vehicle crashes each year than have died in nine years in Vietnam, and at least half of these deaths could be prevented, medical researchers at the clinical congress of the American College of Surgeons were told recently. One of three University of Michigan panelists, Dr. Paul Gikas, professor of pathology, said 55,000 persons are killed each year in highway accidents, while the U. S. toll in Vietnam has been 45,000. Terming the highway "the largest arena of violence in our country," Gikas said 50 percent of the deaths could be prevented if cars were "crash worthy" and passengers used restraints, such as lap and shoulder belts. He termed the "energy absorbing steering column" the "greatest safety advance since the advent of the lap seat belt." (Louisville Courier-Journal, 9-18-70)

For the second time in history, a conscientious objector has received the nation's highest honor. The family of the late Cpl. Thomas W. Bennett of Morgantown, West Virginia, received this Medal of Honor from President Nixon. The Army medic was one of 21 servicemen, all killed in Vietnam, posthumously honored. Cpl. Bennett, a Baptist, was killed in early February, 1969. He had arrived in South Vietnam a month before. The citation said the medic exposed himself to enemy fire without regard for his own life in ministering to wounded comrades. In a letter written shortly before his death, Cpl. Bennett said: "I believe in America. I believe that our process of government can respond to people's needs if each will assume his own responsibility. . . I will continue to serve within the limits of my personal conscience until I feel there is no longer any hope." (Liberty, September-October, 1970)

A Woman's World Reaches Far Beyond the Ironing Board

Wilda Fancher

Ever since James heard the Lord call him to preach he has been intrigued by full-time evangelism and has always felt the Lord might place him in that field some day. During 1965 he experienced some unusually spiritual and meaningful revivals and wondered if the Lord was trying to tell him something.

Family reaction to such an idea came swiftly. I kept myself and my countenance neutral and noncommittal — so neutral and noncommittal it was quite evident that if a vote were taken, mine would be, "Indeed, no!"

Frank, then ten, could not make any constructive comment, either, with his urging, "Daddy, please don't be an evangelist. You'd be gone too much."

The several weeks each year James was away in revivals were long ones to the three little boys left behind with Mama. For Mama each week seemed to stretch to twice its length, the nights so lonely and still and quiet. Even our family doctor had begun to dread James's revival weeks because a medical emergency inevitably faced us in his absence. Daddy seemed to be a priority item on our family's agenda. Frank's sentiments were Bobby's and mine, exactly.

There was, however, a dissenting voice among us. Seven-year-old James Neil's word was, "Yes, Daddy, do go be an evangelist." Taken a bit back, James asked, "Why?"

Quick, pre-meditated, carefully weighed came the reason, "So you can bring us presents every time you come home." What an eye for business.

Frank, who seemed to be taking the lead in getting this decision behind us, delighted his Daddy as few had done before or have since with, "I'd rather have Daddy at home than all the presents he could ever bring us."

What a lovely way to say it — the way a parent wants his child to feel about him — the presence more important than the presents.

I seemed to hear a Fatherly voice saying to me, "This is the way I wish my children to feel about me — loving Me for Myself, not just for My gifts — loving Me for my sacrifice, not just for My blessings — abiding in My presence with joy and walking in love, calling me, 'Father.'"

Understanding my parent-heart, I understand His better.

(Letters to Mrs. Fancher may be addressed to 316 W. Canal Street, Aberdeen, Mississippi 39730.)

You can buy a man's time; you can buy his physical presence at a given place; you can even buy a measured number of his skilled muscular motions per hour. But you cannot buy enthusiasm. . . you cannot buy initiative. . . you cannot buy loyalty. . . you cannot buy the devotion of hearts, minds or souls. You must earn these.—Clarence Francis

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NEWEST BOOKS

Dr. Criswell Preaches Through Bible In One Sermon

THE SCARLET THREAD — THROUGH THE BIBLE by W. A. Criswell (Broadman, 80 pp., \$3.25) Can a man preach through the Bible in one message, and actually present its message? Dr. W. A. Criswell did both, but it took about four hours. And even then, he said that he needed more time. The occasion was a New Year's Eve that came on Sunday night a few years ago, when First Church, Dallas, planned a watch-night service. Decision was made to invite the pastor to preach the entire service. While intermission was scheduled, they were not held, for the auditorium was so crowded that no one would move, lest he lose his seat. In his inimitable way Dr. Criswell preached the message of redemption as it is told from the 1st chapter of Genesis through the last chapter of Revelation. The message was recorded, and now with revision only to prepare for publication, it is printed in full. The unity of the word of God, and the purposes of God concerning man, and his dealing with him through the ages, is clearly depicted. The book is beautifully bound, and will be valuable for study, for devotional reading, or as a gift.

CHRISTIAN BAPTISM by R. F. Smith (Broadman, 120 pp., \$4.95) The author is a professor of religion and philosophy at Williams Cherry College. The author has revised his original book on baptism, which had been developed from his thesis at Southern

Seminary. This new book not only provides the original truths, but also deals with some of the debate that has occurred in recent years, and adds new material and brings the other up to date. The history of baptism is given and the practices of various major groups which use some form of baptism. The author defends the Biblical (and Baptist) position of immersion of believers only and discusses the problems of authority and other issues. The book is a splendid contribution to the field of literature on the subject, and will be a valuable addition to pastor and church leader libraries, both for information and for reference.

MY ANCHOR HELD by Lt. Commander Stephen R. Harris as told to James C. Hefley (Revel, 100 pp., \$3.95) Stephen Harris was an intelligence officer on the USS Pueblo which was seized by North Korea, and the crew held as prisoners for nearly a year. This is the story of that imprisonment, of the torture, of the suffering, of the efforts to brainwash, of the threatnings. As one reads these pages he understands the ordeal through which these men passed, and of the apparent helplessness of our nation to help one. The book also reveals that the greatest source of strength that these men had was their faith in God. Commander Harris had not long been a Christian, but he had memorized a number of scriptures, as had some of the other men, who also were Chris-

tians. Those verses and their faith and prayers were their strength during the terrible days. The book reveals the ruthlessness and slaver of communism, and the blessing of democratic freedom. Above all it reveals the "anchor" Christian faith.

THE INTERNATIONAL LESSON ANNUAL, 1971, edited by Horace R. Weaver, with lesson analysis by Charles M. Laymon (Abingdon, \$3.25, 319 pp.) How is a comprehensive commentary on the International Sunday School Lessons, using both the King James and the Revised Standard Versions of the Bible. Special helps include "The Main Question" or the lesson issue; "As You Read the Scripture" or discussion of the Bible text; application of the Scripture to "The Main Question"; and teaching suggestions. Articles are included for special days, to be used to supplement regular lessons. Other helps include an index of Scripture; a subject index; and a list of audiovisual resources. Authors of articles include Duke McCall, Frank Stagg, Wayne Oates, Harold Weaver, and Franklin Littell.

EXCEPT YE REPENT by Harry A. Ironside (Baker, 191 pp., \$2.95) Reprint of a splendid and thorough treatise on repentance by the late great preacher and writer, H. A. Ironside. Seventeen informative and scripture based chapters which explore many facets of this basic and fundamental Christian doctrine.

International Baptist Church, Belgium To Build Near NATO Headquarters

The International Baptist Church in Casteau, Belgium, completed the purchase of property for the construction of a building in the near future, with the signing of legal documents by the owner and by the Rev. Jean Desy, president of the Belgian Baptist Union and legal representative of the participating churches.

The 16 1/2-acre property is in close proximity to the military headquarters for NATO in Europe and is located on an access road from the military housing areas. The total cost was \$8,000, of which \$5,000 was contributed by the Southern Baptist Foreign Mission Board and the remainder raised by the members locally.

Southern Baptist missionary George W. Poulos is pastor of the congregation. The membership is composed of Baptists from several nations who are stationed in Belgium for military or military-related service.

There are about 30 members and a Sunday School enrollment of 75. About 70 attend worship regularly, and Sunday School attendance averages 40. This is near capacity in the present facilities.

The church originated as a mission of the Emmanuel Baptist Church in Paris, in July 1967, when the NATO forces removed their headquarters from France to Belgium. Six member families of the Paris church were involved in that move, and they decided together before leaving France to being a mission in their new location. The Paris church sponsored and supported this endeavor.

Missionary Rudolph M. Wood, at that time residing in Luxembourg, assisted the group in finding a meeting

place and providing for worship services. In October of that same year, Wood accepted the invitation to become pastor of the congregation and moved from Luxembourg to Belgium.

For a year the mission met in the facilities of a Reformed Church in Mons (the major city nearest the

NATO headquarters complex) until rental property was secured in July 1968. This was a large farm house, located in Casteau, the suburban commune in which the headquarters is situated.

At the time of the move the group constituted itself into a church and was received into membership in both a Belgian Baptist Union and the European Baptist Convention (English-Language).

When the Woods family returned to the U. S. for furlough, the Rev. Robert C. Foster of Thomasville, N. C., served as pastor for a year's interim. He was succeeded in June 1969 by missionary Poulos, who had recently transferred to Belgium from Greece.



Three Billy Graham Films Available For Church Showings

The following Billy Graham films are available for church showings: "THE RESTLESS ONES" 105 minutes, black and white. Provides the answers to youth's relentless search for reality. Acclaimed to be the greatest dramatic production.

"HIS LAND" 87 minutes, color. Israel a land torn asunder and bloodied by a succession of conquerors, lay dormant for centuries. Springing to life again in this century, Israel today is a living testimony to the words of the Old Testament Prophets and a portent of the triumphant return of Christ. Many have acclaimed this to be the greatest World Wide Picture production.

"TWO A PENNY" 90 minutes, color. Thousands of young men and women are going to find this film so absorbing that it will not leave them alone. Revised and edited for church showings. This will be booked on week days only.

R. B. Deline of the Billy Graham Evangelistic Films Association, states, "We provide you with publicity material and set up for the showing in your church with the latest Mer-arc, Bell and Howell projector and sound equipment. You are wondering about finances? This ministry is supported by free-will offerings." Send your choice of dates NOW for your summer evangelistic program to: R. B. Deline, Box 431, Pontotoc, Miss., 38663, Phone (601) 489-3783.

High School, College Students:

Auditions Being Held For Openings In Baptist Instrumental Ensemble

Auditions are being held for the following openings in the Miss. Baptist Instrumental Ensemble which accompanies for Youth Night at the Convention: 3 trumpets; 2 baritones; 1 trap drum set; 1 guitar.

Any high school or college young person who is interested in auditioning for this ensemble is urged to contact Aubrey Gaskins, Harrisburg Baptist Church, 1800 West Main Street, Tunica, Mississippi.

Auditions will be held during the Evangelistic Conference, February 1-3 at Main Street Baptist Church, Hattiesburg.



With shovels, from left, are Mrs. Lula Ryan and Mrs. Pat Clark, charter members of the church, Carolyn Dunn and Pete Sandifer, two of the youngest members of the church. Behind them, second row from left, are Rev. Marcus Smith, pastor; Building Committee members V. D. Sumrall, Bobby

Clark, Bert Morse; Tommy Shepherd, W. B. Frye, J. C. Spiers, John Hession, Rudolph Williams, James W. McClesky, Jr., architect, Byron Patrick, committee member, D. L. Simmons, Jr., contractor, W. B. Grantham, deacon, L. L. Rouse, committee member, and James Huggins, deacon.

Dixie (Lebanon) Breaks Ground For New \$203,000 Building

Dixie Church, Hattiesburg, on Sunday morning January 3, held ground-breaking ceremonies for a new sanctuary, church offices, library, choir room, four adult classrooms and five pre-school departments.

The building will be ground level with exception of one adult classroom and the choir rehearsal room which

will be on second floor level.

The overall plan will include children, youth, adult departments, fellowship hall and kitchen, these to be added at a later date. The old building will be utilized until all of the new building is completed. The part of the building now under construction will cost approximately \$203,000, and will

be completed in about six months.

Chairman of the Building Committee is Tommy Shepherd. Other members of the committee are Bobby Clark, W. B. Frye, Byron Patrick, L. L. Rouse, J. C. Spiers, V. D. Sumrall, Gary Sumrall, Rudolph Williams, Bert Morse and John Hession. Rev. Marcus Smith is the pastor.

MC President's Secretary Earns CPS Rating

There's nothing like experience when it comes to a good secretary. Ask any top business executive. He'll likely tell you one of his chief assets is a top-notch secretary. One who can handle routine matters with the knowledge and expediency of a pro.

Dr. Lewis Nobles, president of Mississippi College, has such a secretary. She's Mrs. Neal Brashier.

A veteran in her position as presidential secretary, Mrs. Brashier handles the multi-chores of her job with such ease and efficiency that she has been labeled as "one of the tops in the central Mississippi area."

This is not just her boss talking, either. It is substantiated through her fellow secretaries, not only at the college, but in various business, industrial, and professional firms in an around Jackson.

The statement is also strengthened by the fact that she recently received the highest recognition that can come to a secretary — the Certified Professional Secretary credential.

The CPS rating is achieved by relatively few secretaries. In fact, there



are only six in the Malabouchia Chapter of the National Secretaries Association, the group to which Mrs. Brashier belongs.

She received her rating just this past year and was commended by the Executive Council for "setting an example for other secretaries by attending the study courses and taking classes."

Tests for the CPS rating are wide

in scope and require much preparation. They include dictation and other routine office work as well as grammar and composition skill. The secretary's knowledge of technical and legal terms is tested and her decision making ability is measured.

In the human relations portion of the test, the applicant's ability to work well with her employer and the public is tested.

Mrs. Brashier has served as secretary to the president of Mississippi College for almost a decade. She began her work under former president Dr. R. A. McElmore, now executive secretary of the Mississippi Historical Society, and has continued under the administration of Dr. Nobles.

Mrs. Brashier's husband is James Brashier, instructor in vocational education in the Jackson Public Schools. They are parents of three children, a girl and twin boys.

Both Mr. and Mrs. Brashier are active members of the First Baptist Church in the Sunday School and Mr. Brashier as a deacon.

Convention Departments XIV

The Annuity Board Representative

The Annuity Board's ministries are directed toward protection—for employees of churches, institutions, and agencies of Baptists, and for the employers of this great host of people. Churches are now urged to deposit with the Annuity Board at least 10% of salary to be placed in the pool fund for the ministry—for all who have or will serve Southern Baptist causes.

In addition to handling trust funds for pension purposes, such as Age Annuity, Disability Annuity, Widow Annuity, and educational funds for children of disabled or deceased parents, also, the Board has group plans for hospital care and term insurance coverage.

W. R. Roberts, the Annuity Board's representative in Mississippi, is the liaison between the Annuity Board in Dallas and the employees of churches, institutions, and agencies in the Mississippi Baptist Convention. In various types of meetings, he interprets the plans to Mississippi Baptists, and promotes increased enlistments in all the plans.

Almost half of Mississippi Baptist churches are now providing protection for their employees.

All of four state Baptist colleges are doing business with the Annuity Board, as well as the Baptist Hospital and Children's Village. All are constantly upgrading their programs, and one college is studying a new plan.

The Southern Baptist Protection Plans are: Plan A—Basic Pension; Plan B—Purchased Annuity; and Plan C—Mutual Fund.

The Group Insurance Program may include dependent groups; long term disability; and income protection.



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The Baptist Hospital participates in the Annuity Board's protection plans. Above, Mr. Roberts confers with hospital personnel.



All four state Baptist colleges are taking advantage of the Annuity Board's protection plans. Above, Mr. Roberts is shown in discussion with key men at Carey.



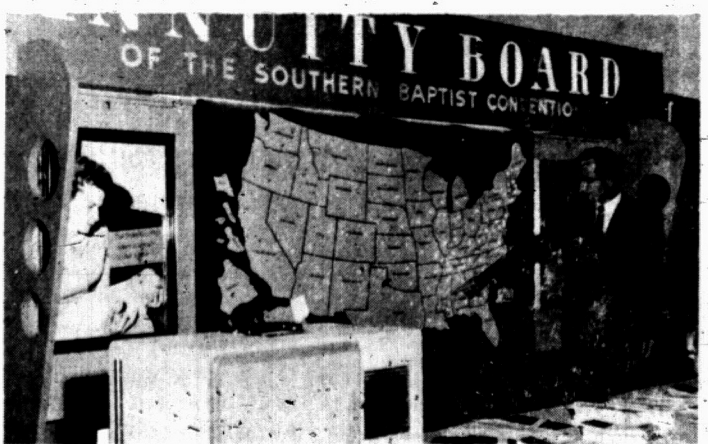
Baptist Children's Village also does business with the Annuity Board. Mr. Nunnery, superintendent, standing, talks over with Mr. Roberts the protective program for the Village.



Speaking at a pastors' conference, Mr. Roberts interprets the Annuity Board protection plans.



Mr. Roberts, right, presents to Mrs. Johnnie Gipson, Jackson, a check from the Annuity Board, SBC. Mrs. Gipson is the widow of the late Rev. Johnnie Gipson, who at the time of his death was pastor of Parkhill, Jackson, and who had participated in the Group Insurance program of the Annuity Board. Dr. W. Douglas Hudgins, left, executive secretary, Mississippi Baptist Convention Board, was present when the check was presented.



The Annuity Board Booth at the Southern Baptist Convention helps to promote increased enlistment in the Board's plans.



Mr. Roberts, left, presents disability check from the Annuity Board to Rev. Grady Smith, right.

PROTECTION PROGRAM

There are three parts in the Program:
Plan "A" Southern Baptist Protection Plan
Plan "B" Age Security Plan
Plan "C" Variable Benefit Plan

HEALTH BENEFIT PLAN

HOSPITAL-SURGICAL
MAJOR MEDICAL
BENEFITS

GROUP INSURANCE PROGRAM

Mississippi Baptist Convention

MC Schedules Religious Emphasis Week For February 15-19 Summer Training Offered For Brotherhood Leaders

Co-chairmen and special committees have been selected to head up the annual Religious Emphasis Week at Mississippi College scheduled for Feb. 15-19.

Rev. Bradley Pope, director of religious activities, said that Marty Albritton of Crowley, La., and Rory Lee of Prentiss would serve as general co-chairmen for the special week of religious emphasis.

Both Miss Albritton and Lee have been active in various campus activities during their four years at Mississippi College.

Miss Albritton has been named a campus beauty for two years and this year was selected as "Most Beautiful" from a field of a dozen candidates. She is a former member of the cheerleading squad and served as a member of the drill team. She has also served as co-chairman for planning Homecoming entertainment and has played an important role in the Baptist Student Union projects.

Lee is president of the Ministerial Association and has served as chaplain of both the junior and senior classes. He has also served as chaplain and secretary of Collegiate Civil

and is youth team chairman for the Fellowship of Christian Athletes. He has held leadership positions in the BSU.

A number of special committees have been set up to assist them in coordination and planning activities for the week.

The committees and those serving on them are: Arrangements — Steve Sparks, Jackson, and Debbie Gosnell, Tchula; Follow-Up—Kathy Wiell, Tylertown, and Phil Odom, Jackson; Program Brochure — Stephen Renfro, Moss Point, and Sherri Collins, Bruce; Publicity — John Kelley, Memphis, Tenn., and Sarah Page, Amory; Music — Dick Love, Topeka, Kan., and Patricia Milsaps, Greenwood; Seminar — Dave Odom, Jackson, and Gayle Overton, Bogalusa, La.; Hospitality— Roddy Conner, Tavares, Fla., and Terry Baxter, Moss Point; Preparation — Jay Richardson, Leland; Donna Foster, Jackson; Tom Prather, Baldwin; Ellen Parks, Jackson; Jim Cole, Tulsa, Okla.; Beverly Shurden, Tupelo, Linda Shirley, Jackson; and Dick Hill, Madison.



THESE TWO STUDENTS have been named as general co-chairmen for the annual Religious Emphasis Week scheduled at Mississippi College in Clinton Feb. 15-19. They are Miss Marty Albritton of Crowley, La., and Rory Lee of Prentiss, both seniors and both active in numerous campus activities. They are putting up one of the posters advertising the theme of the special week—Here Is My Life.—(M.C. Photo by Joe Lee)

Are you looking for a way to enjoy your vacation next summer and plan your Brotherhood work for your next church year at the same time?

These two widely different goals are possible for Baptist men who attend any of six special weeks at Ridgecrest (N.C.) and Glorieta (N.M.) Baptist Assemblies next summer.

Special training in Brotherhood work is planned daily for men attending the Foreign Missions Conference, Home Missions Conference and WMU Conference at the two assemblies.

The Brotherhood Commission will provide the instructors.

Men attending the Brotherhood training conference will receive instruction in church Brotherhood administration and specific help in how to plan Brotherhood work in their churches for the next 12 months.

Home and foreign missionaries will provide inspiration and mission information daily. The conferences, dates, and places where Brotherhood training will be offered are:

Ridgecrest, North Carolina
June 17-23, 1971 — Foreign Missions Conference
August 12-18, 1971 — WMU Conference
August 19-25, 1971 — Home Missions Conference

Glorieta, New Mexico
July 22-28, 1971 — WMU Conference
August 5-11, 1971 — Home Missions Conference
August 12-18, 1971 — Foreign Missions Conference

For reservations, write Assembly Manager, Ridgecrest or Glorieta Baptist Assembly.

MasterControl To Feature "Flying Gas Stations"

Two Southern Baptist Radio and Television Commission announcers, Ed Stanley and Don Sturgis, flew to Europe in mid-January with an Air National Guard air refueling group to gather material for a "MasterControl" radio program.

They made the trip in KC-97 tanker planes, known in the Air Force as "flying gas stations." While in Europe, they flew with Air Guard crewmen on actual training missions from Rhein-Main Air Base in West Germany.

The program resulting from the trip, a "special" featuring the 130th Air Refueling Group of the Texas Air National Guard, will be carried on the 550-station "MasterControl" network during Armed Forces Week next fall.

Moody Films For Kids Dubbed Into Spanish

The Southern Baptist Foreign Mission Board has recently concluded a cooperative effort with the Moody Institute of Science in dubbing into Spanish their children's film series. The production includes 15 films, seven of which are biblical in nature and eight with scientific content.

Missionary Alan W. Compton, the board's radio and TV representative for Latin America, supervised the dubbing. He reported that the films will be used on television by permission of Moody, and in general field evangelism.

"This is the first time specific materials have been produced for use with children, and it is hoped they will give us new opportunities for target evangelism with these who constitute well over 50 per cent of the population of Latin America," said Compton.

Richton Calls Pastor

The members of Richton Church, recently welcomed a new pastor, Rev.

Marcus D. Finch, son of Mr. and Mrs. Marcus D. Finch, Sr., of Marietta, Georgia.

Mr. Finch went to Mississippi College, and in 1966 took his Bachelor of Arts degree with a major in Bible.

He then went on to New Orleans Seminary where, in 1969, he received the Master of Theology degree. He served as youth director of Roswell Street Church in Marietta, Ga. during the summers of 1963 and 1964.

While attending Mississippi College he served as assistant pastor of Highland Church, Jackson.

He served as pastor of two churches in Simpson County, during his seminary training.

He has been pastor of the Georgetown Church from August 1969 to January 1971.

Mr. Finch is married to the former Martha Tupper of Greenwood, a graduate of Mississippi College. They have two children; Melanie, 3, and Marcus III (Marc), 5 months. — Richton Dispatch.

Byhalia Church Experiences A Spirit-Led Service

By Bill Moseley
Pastor, Byhalia

Since last July our church has been experiencing a freedom in the services from time to time that is different and powerful. Last July a student from Asbury College in Wilmore, Kentucky stood and said that if anyone had anything to say to please feel free to interrupt him at any time during his message.

This was something new in our church and way of thinking and yet we soon began to understand what he meant. A great revival broke out that weekend that is continuing to manifest itself in our services from time to time.

Recently, on a Wednesday night, we

had such a service that lasted for over 1 1/2 hours in which there was no leader during the service. After explaining to the people what we were going to do and opening prayer, I sat down with my wife and family. We then waited on the Lord to speak to us.

In my opening remarks I had urged the people to respond as the Spirit would lead them in testimony, singing, commenting on Bible passages and in prayer. It was not long before the people began such a response that immediately brought an awareness of the Lord in a powerful way in the service. There were comments from the Scriptures, testimonies, and singing followed by more testimonies and

then a spontaneous time of prayer requests and prayer. During all of this time I remained seated except when we stood to sing.

As we waited and worshipped, the presence of the Lord became very real to all of us. We began at 7:30, and after 9 p. m. I stood and told the people that although I knew when to begin such a service, I did not know when to end it. Therefore, we would simply disrupt it until Sunday morning. Of course, no one left but stood up and began to fellowship with each other. Two people went forward to the altar to pray and others shared additional blessings.

I highly recommend such a service for young church. I urge pastors to

teach the people how to wait on the Lord. One very important fact to remember is that people have to be taught how to become aware of the Lord's presence and also that you cannot rush through a service of this type. At one point in our service it seemed time to close, then one stood up with a beautiful testimony of daily blessings and the service lasted another 30 minutes.

God is moving, working, and speaking in our day and in churches across America in a dramatic and new way. Let us strive to give the Lord opportunity to break forth in our midst to revive our people in this new day of opportunity.

Program Personalities Named, Assembly Bible Conferences

NASHVILLE — Carl E. Bates and Peter McLeod will be featured speakers during Bible Conferences at Glorieta (N.M.) Assembly July 29-Aug. 4 and at Ridgecrest (N.C.) Assembly June 24-30.

Bates, who will be at Ridgecrest, is president of the Southern Baptist Convention and pastor of First Church, Charlotte, N. C. McLeod is pastor of First Church, Waco, Tex.

Music director at Glorieta will be Ron Lowry, minister of music of

First Church, Lubbock, Tex. Van H. Ramsey, minister of music for First Church, Shelby, N. C., will perform the same task at Ridgecrest.

W. Boyd Hunt, professor of theology at Southwestern Seminary, will lead a study of the Book of Job at Glorieta and Charles A. Thentham, pastor of First Church, Knoxville, Tenn., will teach the study at Ridgecrest.

Also featured during the Bible Conference will be the 1971 January Bi-

bly Study book, "A Study of the Book of Job" will be taught at Glorieta by Roy L. Honeycutt, professor of Old Testament at Midwestern Seminary, and the sessions at Ridgecrest will be taught by John D. W. Watts, acting president of the Southern Baptist Seminary, and former president of Ruschlikon Seminary, Ruschlikon, Switzerland.

Youth Bible Conferences are scheduled during the week for young people 15-17 years of age. Enrollment

for the youth sessions will be limited to 400 at Ridgecrest and 500 at Glorieta.

Also scheduled in conjunction with the Bible Conference are Church Administration, Church and Home Missions, Church and Home Evangelism, Church and Home Library Conferences.

For registration information, write to Reservations at: Glorieta Baptist Assembly, Glorieta, N. M. 87535, or Ridgecrest Baptist Assembly, Ridgecrest, N. C. 28770.

Calvary, Pascagoula, Reports An Effective County Jail Ministry

Sheriff Ben Navarette has been very helpful and cooperative along with other law enforcement officials in the area.

Lawmore said, "One Sunday in 1965 I preached and a man convicted of murder and sentenced to death made a profession of faith. Later his sentence was commuted to life imprisonment. He has won many others to the Lord in the penitentiary and this has assured me of the sincerity of his conversion. This experience led me to more prayer for a man to lead in this work and God sent Raymond H. Broadus (pictured) to direct the work.

Mr. Broadus reports, "Most of those who have made decisions publicly have made professions of faith in Christ." Broadus often preaches, and he is responsible for securing speakers, music, testimonies, distributing literature, New Testaments and Bibles.

Mr. Broadus is now serving as Mississippi Parole and Probation Officer in the Pascagoula area and is thereby able to make many contacts during weekdays.

Rev. Byron E. Mathis, pastor of Calvary, said, "the jail ministry has been extremely effective for a number of years, but this has been our most fruitful year. D. L. Lawmore has directed the Brotherhood for several years and with the assigning of the jail ministry directly to R. H. Broadus, the soul winning success has increased considerably." Recently, Mr. Broadus has been licensed to the gospel ministry by the Calvary Church.

"The jail ministry is one that a n y church can sponsor when men have interest and concern. Financially there is no cost except for tracts and Bibles that are given away. It reaches people in need and helps many of them to find that Christ is the answer. "Those accepting Christ and making other public decisions sometimes join local churches of various denominations and at other times go on to serve their sentences and others, when released, join churches all across the nation. As foreign ships come into this city we also have the opportunity at times of winning individuals who come from numerous countries in the world.

In 1971, plans have already been made for young people from the church to witness to juveniles who are on

the ground floor of the jail while the men continue their ministry upstairs. James H. Toney will be directing our juvenile ministry."

During 1970 over 600 decisions were made in the county jail at Pascagoula, in services conducted by the Brotherhood of Pascagoula's Calvary Church, according to D. L. Lawmore, brotherhood director.

Services are held on the second and fourth Sunday afternoons in each month and men do witness at other times as the opportunities and needs arise.

Miss David Dies: Former Missionary

Miss Nannie Bland David, a former missionary to Nigeria, died at her home in Meridian, Miss., Jan. 10, five days after her 84th birthday. A funeral service was scheduled for Jan. 12 in Meridian, with burial at Glenwood Cemetery, Houston, Tex.

The daughter of missionaries, Miss David was born in Lagos, Nigeria. She was named for her father's first wife, Nannie Bland David, who died after six years' missionary service in Nigeria.

Miss David was appointed by the Foreign Mission Board in December 1919. She began Baptist medical work in Shaki by opening a small clinic in her home. It grew to a hospital, and she was present the day it was dedicated, Jan. 5, 1932, her 65th birthday.

After serving in Nigeria for five years, she returned to the States and opened a convalescent home in Houston, believed to be the first in that city. She resigned as a missionary of the Foreign Mission Board in 1929.

In 1935 she became city missionary and director of the goodwill center in Meridian, Miss. She later became Worthan's Missionary Union missionary in Lauderdale County, Miss.

She returned to Nigeria as the missionary of the West University Church of Houston. A cousin said of her that "her heart was always in Africa."

Church In Malaysia Built With Lottie Moon Dollars

The first Baptist church building in the southern coastal area of Sabah, Malaysia, was dedicated in Tawau on Dec. 25, 1970. The building was made possible by \$40,000 from the 1969 Lottie Moon Christmas Offering and \$10,000 from members of the church, reported Southern Baptist missionary Charles H. Morris.

The Tawau Baptist Church was organized Dec. 25, 1968, with 94 charter members.

Cranfield Calls Pastor

Cranfield Church has called Rev. Dennis B. Turner as pastor.

Mr. Turner moved to Natchez after serving as pastor of Hollywood Church, Sledge. A native of Crossett, Arkansas, he did his college work at Ouachita Baptist University, and will do his seminary work at New Orleans Seminary.

Mr. Turner is married to the former Diane Lenderman of West Memphis, Ark. The Turners have one daughter, Jennifer Edwina, age 13 months.

The church honored their new pastor with a reception and pantry shower in the church fellowship hall.



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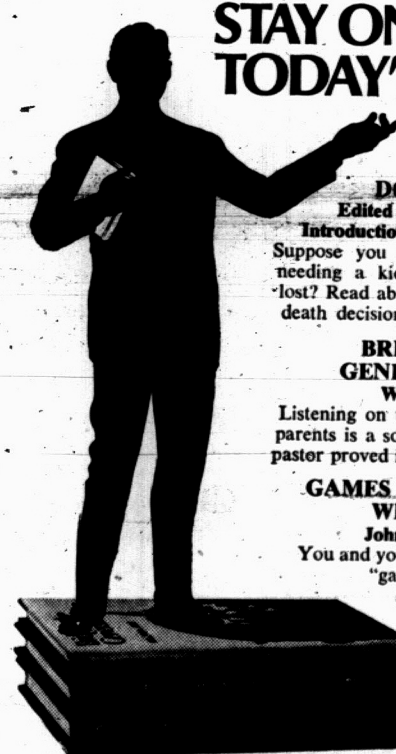
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God Gives Rewards On The Basis Of Generosity, According To His Goodness

NOTE: We regret that, by error, we published the wrong Sunday School lesson last week. We assure you it was by mistake, and we shall try not to let it happen again.

By Clifton J. Allen
Matthew 19:23 to 26:16

The parables of Jesus help us to see and understand the motives behind human actions. They help us to realize how intensely human we all are, even to the point of questioning God's ways of grace. We learn this from the parable about the workers in the vineyard, a parable which is often misunderstood. Jesus was not teaching about economics; rather, he was emphasizing the freeness of grace. We thus learn that God gives rewards on the basis of generosity and according to his own sovereign goodness. No person can rightly claim that he deserves either a place in God's kingdom or the rewards which God gives for faithfulness.

Sunday School Lesson: Life and Work

At The Pool Of Bethesda, Jesus Heals A Man Who Has Been Crippled 38 Years

John 5:1-16

By Bill Duncan

Is there ever a "perfect" right time and a right place to help someone without getting criticized for it? If we look for just the right time and the right place we might never witness to anyone. Jesus faced the misunderstanding of the religious rulers of his day in everything he did, because he was always breaking their rules. The principle by which Jesus went forth in the world doing good was based upon the fact that man needed to be saved most of all and anything that would help him to come to this relationship was all right as long as it was in keeping with the will of God. Jesus did

break man's rules but no God's commandments. The commandment pertaining to the Sabbath Day called for reverence for God and worship of Him. The Pharisee believed a man could break the Sabbath by even carrying a needle in his robe or wearing shoes with nails in them. This they emphasized to the point that they were more interested in keeping rules than worshipping God on that day. It even came to the point that they were more interested in the rules than meeting needs.

The Pharisee would quickly tell the lame man the rule of the Sabbath: "If anyone carries anything from a public place to a private place on the Sabbath intentionally, he is punishable by death by stoning." You might think this rule was ridiculous, but you should read some of their other rules.

his integrity and goodness. Some persons may come early, some later, and some later still. The important matter is not the time of their entrance but the fact that they are in and that they are engaged in doing God's work in the world.

God's Generosity Toward All

Verses 1-7

A householder or landowner employed laborers to work in his vineyard. The workday began at 6:00 a. m. The workers were to receive a denarius for a day's work, the customary wage, equivalent to fifteen or twenty cents but worth much more than that now. At 9:00 a. m. the landowner saw other workers and employed them, agreeing to give them a fair wage. He did the same at noon and at 3:00 p. m. Late in the day at 5:00 p. m., he saw still other workers, idle because no one had hired them, and he sent them also into his vineyard. Obviously, Jesus was declaring that God is the householder. The vineyard represents his kingdom. It is open to all persons who will accept the invitation of God to enter and render service to him. God takes the initiative in calling people into his service. His invitation is extended as an expression of his mercy and grace. He does not call people into his kingdom for idleness but for service. He must be trusted by all who enter his kingdom. They must believe in him and in

of his generosity and the truth that his salvation is not received on the basis of merit but as God's generous gift. The world's standards of "first" and "last" are cancelled out by his impartial love, perfect wisdom, and absolutely free grace.

Salvation And Service

The salvation of the kingdom is God's free gift through Jesus Christ to any person who will receive it with humble and contrite spirit and with faith in the saving power of Christ. But salvation, which is so wonderfully free, is not without obligation. A person is saved by grace through faith, but for the purpose of good works in the kingdom of God. No Christian can say, "No man hath hired us." The invitation to follow Christ is an imperative call to be a worker for Christ—engaged in the work of his church, engaged in compassionate service to minister to needy human beings, engaged in warfare against every kind of evil, and engaged in zealous efforts to help lost persons come to a saving faith in Christ the Lord.

Truths to Live By

God is just, and God is gracious.— The ways of the Lord are always right. His justice is never separated from his grace. His dealings with men are love and righteousness translated into action. He does what is right because his perfect wisdom is inseparable from perfect goodness. We are not to shrink from God's justice but rather to rejoice in it. His dealings may be severe discipline or chastening for our testing and our growth.

Christians are equal in privilege and responsibility.— This does not mean that we all have the same number or the same kind of privileges or the same number or the same kind of responsibilities. It means that we all are in a state of privilege before God and in a state of responsibility. We can claim nothing before God on the basis of our rights or our deserts. We can make no claim except on the basis of his grace, and all Christians are equal in this respect. No one can claim advantage or preferential treatment. No one can evade responsibility or expect to get by with soft

treatment.

Motivation for the Christian should be centered on the Lord.— The workers in his kingdom are not to be primarily concerned about what they will get as rewards but about what they can do to please the Lord. We are not, of course, to ignore the rightness of being paid for the work we do in everyday vocation and employment. But we are not to be concerned chiefly for the praise of men but for the testimony of a good conscience in the sight of God. The satisfaction of knowing that the work done for Christ can never be done in vain should be a constant challenge to motivate zeal and to find joy in giving one's utmost to the service of Christ. To be selfishly concerned about rewards savors of human pride. But to find satisfaction and joy in the glory of Christ is a level of self-giving fully inspired by the Holy Spirit.

"All nations whom thou hast made shall come and worship before thee, O Lord; and shall glorify thy name." (Psalm 86:9).

It is my ambition to say in ten sentences what everyone else does not say in a whole book.—F. W. Nietzsche (1844-1900)



Southern Awards Degrees To Two Mississippians

LOUISVILLE, Ky. — Southern Seminary awarded 110 degrees including two to Mississippians during its December 1970 graduation.

Robert M. Shurden, left, of Greenville was awarded the Doctor of Theology degree. Catherine Ann Overman, right, of Senatobia received the Master of Religious Education degree. Also during the Dec. 18 ceremony held in Alumni Memorial Chapel on the seminary campus, the first doctorate was awarded to a woman. Fay Woody Leach of Louisville, Ky., received the Doctor of Education degree.

Speaker for the graduation exercises was James L. Monroe, pastor of the First Baptist Church of Fort Walton Beach, Fla.

Dangerfield Accepts Position In Biloxi

Mose Dangerfield, minister of education and youth at First Church, Clinton for the past 4½ years, has resigned to assume a similar position at First Church, Biloxi.

At Clinton, he initiated and taught a Teacher Training Program with the goal of providing better trained volunteer personnel for various positions in the Sunday School and Training Union.

He also started an energetic youth program which has resulted in the spiritual interest and involvement of high school and junior high students in various activities of the community. Under his guidance and direction, the youth have renovated and furnished an unused basement room of the church into their own activity room. Called "The Spark," the room is used by the students for spiritual leisure activity.

Mr. Dangerfield came to First, Clinton after three years as minister of music and education at First Church, of Camden, S.C. He has also served at West Jackson Church, Jackson, and First Church, Frisco City, Ala.

He graduated from the University of South Carolina and New Orleans Seminary.

A native of Moncks Corner, S.C., he is married to the former Kathleen Smith of Florida. They are parents of two daughters.

Mary Lou Hobart Dies: Former Missionary

Miss Mary Lou Hobart, 38, missionary to East Africa for ten years, died Jan. 12 in Memphis, Tenn., following a prolonged illness. A funeral service was to be held Jan. 14 in Second Baptist Church, Memphis, with burial in Greenville, Miss., her hometown.

Miss Hobart was appointed by the Foreign Mission Board in 1959. She worked at a Baptist community center in Dar es Salaam, Tanzania, directing a kindergarten, training kindergarten teachers, and working with young people and parents in the community.

She returned to the States in 1967 for a year's furlough, after which she took a year's leave of absence, teaching kindergarten in Memphis. She resigned as a missionary in June 1969.

Prior to her missionary appointment she taught in the public schools of Turrell, Ark., and Greenville, and she did summer mission work for the Home Mission Board and the Mississippi Baptist Student Union.

Miss Hobart received the bachelor of science degree from Delta State College, Cleveland, and the master of arts degree from Carver School of Missions and Social Work (now merged with Southern Seminary), Louisville, Ky.

Carson-Newman College Rescinds Dancing Policy

JEFFERSON CITY, Tenn. (BP)—The board of trustees for Carson-Newman College here voted to comply "100 per cent" with the request of the Tennessee Baptist Convention and its Executive Board which asked the Baptist school to rescind a policy permitting dancing on the campus.

Board chairman Henry M. Chiles, pastor of Central Baptist Church in Knoxville, said that the action was the first order of business at the trustees' first meeting after the convention meeting in Jackson, Tenn., had endorsed and reaffirmed the convention's Executive Board request of May 12 asking the college to rescind the policy.

There was little discussion on the motion to comply with the convention's request, according to Chiles.

"Everyone felt that the convention had spoken, and that we wanted to follow 100 per cent the wishes of the parent body," said Chiles in a telephone interview.

The action was expected to end a nine-month controversy which started March 5 when the trustees voted to permit social dancing "as a part of the total social program scheduled on the campus." During the controversy, nearly 100 Baptist churches in Tennessee voted to withhold funds from the Cooperative Program (unified budget) so long as the dancing policy was in effect.

Ione Gray Will Direct European Press Service

RICHMOND (BP)—Ione Gray, international writer and editor for the Southern Baptist Foreign Mission Board, will become interim director of the European Baptist Press Service for 18 months, beginning in June 1971. She will be stationed in Ruschlikon, a suburb of Zurich, Switzerland.

The SBC Foreign Mission Board approved the European assignment for Miss Gray during its December meeting. She may be asked during her stay in Ruschlikon to make trips outside the European continent in connection with her current international responsibilities, which she expects to resume in Richmond in December, 1972.

Theo Sommerkamp, former assistant director of Baptist Press, news service of the Southern Baptist Convention, has directed European Baptist Press Service for the past five years. Sommerkamp, a missionary associate appointed by the SBC Foreign Mission Board, plans to return to the United States in the summer, 1971. John Allen Moore, a Southern Baptist missionary, was the first director of European Baptist Press Service.

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Baptist Courier Features Gambrell

The Baptist Courier of South Carolina on January 7 carried a feature article concerning Dr. J. B. Gambrell, first editor of the Baptist Record.

Dr. Gambrell, who moved to Mississippi as a very small child, was born in South Carolina, near Williamston in Anderson County. A historical marker in Williamston now shows ties with him. His mother, Jane Williams Gambrell, was a member of the Big Creek Baptist Church in Anderson County.

After leaving Mississippi, Dr. Gambrell was editor of the Texas Baptist Standard, general secretary of the Texas Baptist Convention, president of Mercer University in Georgia, and professor at Southwestern Seminary. He served four years (1917-20) as 13th president of the Southern Baptist Convention.

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MC Emphasizes Baptist Seminaries

MISSISSIPPI COLLEGE students have been undergoing a time of seminary emphasis, with representatives of each of the Southern Baptist seminaries visiting the campus to talk with interested students. Dr. Claude Howe (second from left), professor at New Orleans Theological Seminary and a Mississippi College graduate, talks over opportunities at his seminary with, left to right, David Wall, Jackson; Lynn Nations, Clinton; and Ronnie Prevost, Hazlehurst. The seminary emphasis was spearheaded by the Baptist Student Union on campus. (M. C. Photo by Joe Lee)

Devotional

The Promise Of A New Body

By Bill Sellers, Circulation Manager, The Baptist Record, and Supervisor of Computer Services, Mississippi Baptist Convention Board

More and more we see the dread diseases such as cancer, multiple sclerosis, polio, Parkinson's disease, and many other illnesses such as cardiac disorders, cripple and wreck our human bodies even to complete destruction. It seems that such diseases are even more rampant today than ever before, even though we live in a day of great medical scientific discoveries and even though there is great stress on physical fitness. Thus more and more of the pastor's time is taken up with his hospital ministry.



With this in mind, and because in the last year I have been closely associated with some individuals whose terminal diseases so completely destroyed their bodies, I would like to remind you of one of God's great promises about our bodies in the Christian's eternal life. There are many scriptures pertaining to this subject, but one that gives great assurance is the fifteenth chapter of I Corinthians.

Here Paul explains the difference between our earthly body and our spiritual body. Through a study of the scriptures we come to realize that even though disease may wreck our earthly body and cause its demise, we shall be given a spiritual body which is perfect and cannot be diseased. Paul says it in I Corinthians 15:52b-54: "For the trumpet will sound and the dead will be raised imperishable, and we shall be changed, for this perishable and this mortal nature must put on immortality. When the perishable puts on the imperishable, and the mortal puts on immortality, then shall come to pass the saying that is written: 'Death is swallowed up in victory'."

Our Lord in his earthly ministry taught in parables using situations common to the everyday life of the people in that time and locale. Recently I heard a story which explains, in what you can term a modern-day parable, the earthly body and spiritual body of a Christian.

A friend of mine knew a very saintly Negro woman. In fact, she had worked all of his childhood and adult life for his family. I do not know her name, but let's call her Minnie Jones. When this Negro lady died, after a lengthy bout with cancer, my friend went to her funeral and heard the pastor give this illustration:

There was a man who was of meager monetary means and yet who was rich in the blessing of a large family of children. He had saved several years to be able to take a trip and a vacation for all the family. He did not have a car, but heard how you could rent one. So he rented a car and they started on the long trip from Mississippi to California.

They started out driving and got way over in west Texas and had a wreck. Fortunately none of the family was hurt, but the car was demolished. The poor man, never having rented a car before and knowing almost nothing about such matters, felt that he must call the company back in Mississippi and tell them what had happened and ask them what he must do.

Upon the man's talking with the manager of the car rental agency, the manager asked him if there was anything salvageable about the wrecked car. The man told him yes, as far as he could tell the engine was still good. Thus, the agency manager told him to crate up the engine and ship it back to them and they would give it a new body.

At this point in his story the pastor preaching the funeral said, "Two days ago God, who loaned us this life, sent down to earth his death angel and told him to crate up the spirit of Minnie Jones and send it back to heaven for a new body."

"But our commonwealth is in heaven, and from it we await a Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ who will change our lowly body to be like His glorious body by the power which enables Him even to subject all things to Himself." (Philippians 3:20-21 RSV)

LADY JULIAN OF NORWICH: Some of us believe that God is Almighty and can do all, and that he is All-good, and may do all; but that he is All-love and will do all—there we stop short.



Donation To Bus Project

Mrs. Sadie Lee Wells of the English faculty at Blue Mountain College is a most interested donor to the Baptist Student Union project, in which all students are participating to raise \$15,000 toward the purchase of three buses. The small buses are to be used for the expanded BSU outreach in mission and convention representation of the college. Left to right: Mrs. Wells, making a donation by check; Star Williams, a grateful student helper; Susan Clayton, chairman of off-campus publicity for the fund-raising drive; and Jill McGinnis, Chairman of the Steering Committee for the bus project, receiving the check. A total of \$725.00 has already been donated for the project.



Returned Journeyman Speaks At Alma Mater

Edna Huskison of Ripley (center), 1968 graduate of Blue Mountain College with a major in business Education, is shown sharing materials about the Missionary Journeyman Program with Jamie Reeder of Pontotoc (left), as her BMC instructor in Business, Mrs. Edd A. Conner, also of Ripley, looks on. Miss Huskison served for two years as a business education teacher in a Kenya, Africa, High School, as missionary journeyman. She was guest assembly speaker during her very recent visit to BMC. She is now enrolled at Southwestern Seminary.



A Family Affair

William Carey College, ministerial student, George Bosarg, and his family line up for final exams. Studying seems to be a "family affair" for Mr. and Mrs. Bosarge and their son, David. All three are currently enrolled at Carey. Mrs. Bosarge is a biology major and a senior. David is a freshman and hasn't decided on a major. George, who was called to the ministry after a successful career in electronics, is also a senior. He is pastor of First Church, McLaurin. They pose above in Rouse Library on the Carey campus. Carey exams are January 25-29.



Unity Honors Patissons

Members of Unity Church, Union Association, honored Mr. and Mrs. Roy Lutz for many years of faithful service in the church and community with a larger family Bible and their twenty-year perfect attendance pins, presented by the pastor, Rev. Kermit Grammer. Mrs. Lutz has lived in the community all of her life and has been a member of Unity Church since the age of eleven. She has served as church pianist, adult Sunday School teacher, and has been church clerk for thirty years. Along with other duties, Mr. Lutz has been a member of the church since he was twenty years old and has served on the board of deacons most of this time.

Baptist Viewpoll

Baptist Leaders In Favor Of Church Information Service

NASHVILLE (BP) — A confidential, high-speed service to provide churches with objective information about prospective pastors is favored by the majority of a representative poll of Southern Baptist pastors and Sunday School teachers, a nationwide survey disclosed here.

The Baptist VIEWpoll panel members were asked this question: "Would you favor a confidential, high-speed service to provide churches objective information about prospective pastors?"

"Yes" was the response of 58.3 per cent of the pastors and 64.7 per cent of the Sunday School teachers.

In contrast, almost one-third (32.1 per cent) of the pastors on the panel and 29.1 per cent of the teachers expressed disapproval of such a service. The remaining 9.6 per cent of the pastors and 6.2 per cent of the Sunday School teachers had "no opinion" on the matter.

Opposition to a church information service is greatest among those pastors serving in open country churches and in churches with less than 200 members, the survey disclosed.

Also, in the findings for pastors there appears to be some relationship between religious and political conservatism and opposition to a church information service.

Panel members were also asked: "If this service were provided, who should make it available?" The largest proportion of the pastors (39.4 per cent) and teachers (29.7 per cent) chose the "state convention" over an "SBC agency" or a "private company." About 28 per cent of the teachers did choose "SBC agency."

The findings for the current poll are based upon a 92 per cent response from the Baptist VIEWpoll panel, composed of approximately 600 pastors and Sunday School teachers se-

lected to represent a cross section of persons holding those leadership positions in the Southern Baptist Convention.

HIGH COURT KILLS POSTAL SMUT BAN

WASHINGTON, D. C. (EP)—Post Office officials can no longer block or detain mail to dealers in "obscene" materials, by action of the Supreme Court.

The court's opinion, by Justice William J. Brennan Jr., said the authority, dating back to 1890, is a form of censorship forbidden by the First Amendment to the U.S. Constitution.

The high court invalidated two laws, agreeing with federal district courts in California and Georgia.

Under one which dates to 1890, the Postmaster General could have letters stamped "unlawful" and returned to the senders if an administrative officer decided the intended recipient was obtaining money through the mail for obscene or indecent articles or devices.

Under the second law, enacted in 1960, the Postmaster General had the power to obtain a court order permitting him to detain mail to a dealer the government decided trafficked in obscenity.

Mr. Brennan, quoting Oliver Wendell Holmes, the late justice who was one of the most eloquent civil libertarians in the nation's history, said: "The United States may give up the Post Office when it sees fit, but while it carries it on, the use of the mails is almost as much a part of free speech as the right to use our tongues."

Names In The News

On December 27, Ebenezer Church, Senatobia, ordained David Wayne Spencer to the gospel ministry. This was in response to a request from Fishing Creek Church, Whitakers, N.C., where he is pastor.



Tracy Buford led the music, Rev. Jerry Beatty sang a solo. Rev. Claude Howe, Sr. preached the ordination sermon, Johnny Bryant led the prayer, Luther Siquefield, Jr. presented the Bible, Rev. Cecil Cole delivered the charge to the minister and Rev. Jim Welch gave the charge to the church. Mr. Spencer is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Spencer of Senatobia. He is married to the former Connie Russell of Nesbit, Miss. He is a graduate of William Carey College and is presently attending Southeastern Seminary, Wake Forest, N.C. David and Connie are at home in the parsonage at the church, where their address is: Route 2, Box 175-A, Whitakers, N.C., 27891.

Air Force Captain Rodney Macon is serving as superintendent of Sunday school and as music director for Fallon Baptist Church, Fallon, Nevada. With the air defense system of the Aerospace Defense Command in Fallon, he is the son of the late Dr. Leon Macon, former editor of The Alabama District, and is a graduate of Samford University. Recently he was ordained as a deacon. Fallon Church was organized as a Southern Baptist mission in 1955 and as a church in 1960. Mrs. Macon, the former Faith Winter of Holly Springs, Miss., serves the church as pianist and nursery director. After separation from the Air Force, Mr. Macon plans a career as computer programmer. The Macons have one daughter, Theresa Dianne, two.

Rev. Bob Barker, Jr., now pastor of Northside Church, Denham Springs, Louisiana, will be entering the field of evangelism on March 1, 1971.



He will be making his home base in the city of Mobile. The Northside church baptized 160 the past year with over 330 additions. The attendance climbed from less than 200 to an average of 500 in Sunday School. Until March 1, Barker can be reached at P. O. Box 154, Denham Springs, or by calling (504) 685-6365. After March 1, all mail should be sent to Bob Barker Jr. Evangelistic Ministries, P. O. Box 523, Mobile, Alabama.

Rev. and Mrs. Aubrey C. Jones and family have moved to Holly Bluff from Ellard Church, Bruce, where he served as pastor for the past four years. Both Mr. and Mrs. Jones grew up in Harpersville. She is the former Peggy Breland. They have three daughters, Angella, 15, Pamela, 12, and Kathy, 3. Mr. Jones attended Clarke College and Mississippi College. Mrs. Jones attended Clarke College and Mississippi College. Mrs. Jones will assume duties as kindergarten teacher in the Holly Bluff Church.



Rev. James T. Bryant has assumed duties as pastor of Angie Church, Angie, La. He was former pastor of Shubuta, Miss., Church, where he served two years and nine months. He is presently attending New Orleans Seminary. He will receive his Master of Theology degree in July. He is a graduate of Mississippi College. Mr. Bryant is married to the former Kathleen Oswald of Starkville. The Bryants have three children, Rhonda 13; Patti 12; and Tommy 7.

Rev. Jerry W. Mixon, pastor of Bluff Springs Church, Magnolia, is author of an article printed in the McComb Enterprise-Journal concerning the importance of the pulpit. He describes a chapel in England where pews, resembling stalls, are so arranged that the worshippers cannot see each other, but must of necessity direct their gaze toward the pulpit. He says that today the scene seems to have changed. "We as pastors must assume the first responsibility if our preaching fails. Then the church must share in the defeat. Many churches have not demanded the proclaiming of God's word. Indeed some have discouraged the preacher with casual warnings about dangerous subjects. If you have a man who studies, prays and enters the pulpit with the Bible in his hand, message in mind, his people on his heart, love on his lips and God in control, Brother, sit back and wait — God is going to speak. If he reads his sermon just pray that he will overcome the crutch. Don't run him off. Help him. Pray for him. Thank him. Show him you are not just a member of his congregation but that you are HIS FRIEND. Remember he has no pastor. His burden becomes heavy. If he looks tired then send him on a trip. Whatever you do to help, remember that Jesus didn't come as an actor, editor, joker, singer, poet, politician, policeman, or writer. Jesus came as a preacher. This is your pastor's first task. This Sunday why not shake your pastor's hand with a little more enthusiasm."

Byron E. (Buddy) Mathis Jr., 16-year-old son of Rev. Byron Mathis, pastor of Calvary Church, Pascagoula, grandson of the late Rev. C. S. Moulder and great-grandson of the late Rev. Dan W. Moulder, will be the featured speaker at the Clarke County Baptist Association Youth Rally at Pine Grove Church, RFD, Quitman, Saturday night, January 30, 7:30 p.m. Buddy, a high school junior, rendered to preach on August 28, on his father's 25th anniversary in the ministry. He plans to be in full-time evangelism and already has several revivals scheduled.



Music Clinic Held At Clarke

Larry Black, minister of music, First Church, Jackson, visited the Clarke College campus on January 12, to conduct a clinic in evangelistic music. He was invited by J. B. McElroy, of the Clarke College music faculty. Picture shows Black leading choir rehearsal. At piano, Mrs. Alice Davies, Clarke teacher. Mr. Black was in charge of the chapel program, demonstrating typical music used in revivals and special evangelistic services. He also met with Mr. McElroy's class in conducting.

741 Books Given FMB Library

Seven hundred forty-one books, about one third of which were originally in the collection of missions professor W. O. Carver, are a recent addition to the Jenkins Library of the Southern Baptist Foreign Mission Board. H. Cornell Goerner, the board's secretary for Africa, donated the volumes from his personal library.

Goerner did graduate work under the late W. O. Carver at Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville, Ky. Carver was professor of missions there from 1896 until he retired in 1943. Goerner was his student assistant for three years.

At the time he was awarded his degree, Goerner was asked to remain as an instructor in the seminary's department of missions. He taught there for 22 years, advancing to a full professorship and succeeding Carver as head of the department. He assumed his present position with the Foreign Mission Board in 1967.

Carver, who was vitally interested in Baptist history, lined his walls with books. To his young colleague he presented numerous volumes in the fields of missions and comparative religions, subjects Goerner was teaching at the time.

Miss Nell Stanley, Foreign Mission Board librarian, said that many of the books are out of print and are volumes she has tried unsuccessfully to obtain.

She cited A History of Christian Missions in China, by Kenneth Latourette (Macmillan, 1929), as a volume representative of the collection's value. "The Jenkins Library did

not have this book by Dr. Latourette, a leading church historian," said Miss Stanley, "and this completes our collection of his books, filling an important gap."

An even earlier book, The Bible in Brazil, by Hugh Tucker (Fleming Revell, 1902), is a good history of the movement of the church in Brazil in early years.

The library's beginnings are recent compared with the 125-year history of the board. "It is hard to go back," Goerner observed, "and fill in the gaps with older mission books, many of which are no longer available."

The Jenkins Library at board headquarters in Richmond, Va., was organized as a research facility in 1960. Used primarily by the board's staff and missionaries, it is also available to the public. It is not a lending library, but students, writers, pastors and others find that it contains valuable source material in the field of missions.

A faculty member from the University of Ibadan, Nigeria, who was at the University of Chicago last year on an exchange professorship, traveled to Richmond and spent several days in the library doing research on a century-old manuscript.

The library also contains an interesting collection of art objects donated by missionaries from various countries. An item of particular significance, historically, is the trunk of Lottie Moon, an early missionary to China.

Off The Record

A man put a coin into a vending machine and watched helplessly while the cup failed to appear. One nozzle sent coffee down the drain while another poured cream after it. "Now, that's real automation," the man said. "Even drinks it for you." From a new book published by Doubleday, Jokes, Puns, and Riddles, edited by David Allen Clark.

President Coolidge once invited some Vermont friends to dine at the White House. They were worried about their table manners, so decided to do everything Coolidge did. The meal passed smoothly until coffee was served and Coolidge poured his into a saucer. The guests followed suit. Then he added sugar and cream. The visitors did likewise. Then Coolidge leaned over and gave his to the cat. Moral: If you imitate another man's actions, make sure you, too, have a cat.

Inexperienced The recruit was on guard duty for the first time. The sergeant of the guard told him that no car was to pass without a window sticker.

The first automobile to drive up contained a high-ranking officer and his chauffeur. But there was no sticker on the window.

"Halt!" shouted the recruit.

"Continue, driver," ordered the officer.

"Begging your pardon, sir," said the young G. I., "but I'm new at this. Whom do I shoot; you or the driver?"

Leonard Morgan To Lead

Human Relations Laboratory

NASHVILLE — Leonard Morgan, psychologist and Baptist deacon of Nashville, Tenn., will lead a human relations laboratory, April 26-30, at Henry Horton State Park, Chapel Hill, Tenn.

The laboratory provides training for persons who desire to be more effective in interpersonal and intergroup relations.

Registration is limited to 36 persons. Total cost for the laboratory is only \$20.

Interested persons should write Church Program Training Center, 127 Ninth Avenue, North, Nashville, Tenn. 37203. A fee of \$20 should accompany registration.